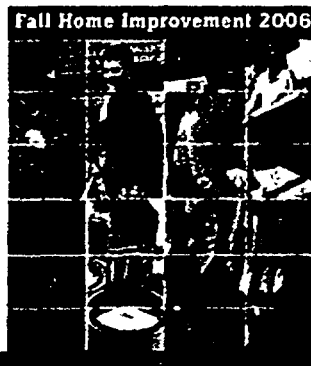




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Allegation: undue pressure

Developer accuses board trustee of using political influence in private land deal

Werner refutes claim: township officials request Michigan State Police investigation

By Maureen Johnston
RECORD STAFF WRITER

Michigan State Police are investigating a local developer's allegations that a Northville Township trustee exerted undue influence regarding a local property deal.

"A decision has been made that an investi-

gation is warranted," said Township Manager Chip Snider, who met with state law enforcement officials yesterday morning. "The investigation will be conducted by the Michigan State Police.

"And as a matter of policy, this organization will not comment on the specifics of that ongoing investigation."

The Michigan State Police investigation will center on year-long negotiations between developer Sam Sackllah and township trustee Brad Werner, who have been privately hag-

gling over terms for Sackllah to gain an easement along the front of Werner's Seven Mile Road property.

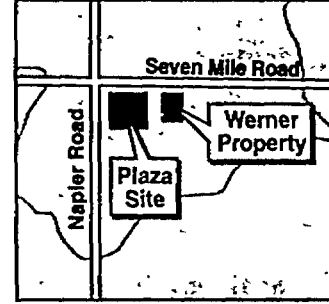
Sackllah, a township resident, said he felt forced into agreeing to Werner's land purchase terms at the risk of stalling development of his 3.5-acre commercial project. The site is located on property adjacent to Werner's Seven Mile Road home.

Werner denied any wrongdoing. He said he welcomes the investigation.

"Whatever they ask me, I'll give them the

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Easement Conflict



ARE YOU READY FOR OKTOBER?



Photo by JOHN HEIDER/Northville Record

Farmers' Market vendors Migl Cherif, left, and Judy Marvin are looking forward to this weekend's Oktoberfest.

Food, entertainment big parts of this weekend's inaugural Oktoberfest event

By Maureen Johnston
RECORD STAFF WRITER

Northville will roll out German food, folk dancers and a strolling accordionist during the community's inaugural Oktoberfest this weekend.

Starting this morning, Northville Chamber of Commerce staff and contracted crews have been transforming Millennium Park into a Bavarian village, preparing for a new fall festival which runs from 6 p.m. Friday through 11 p.m. Saturday.

"It's kind of a laid-back event, which is nice," said chamber president Jody Humphries. "It will be a pretty relaxing day. You don't have to go very far to do anything."

Wide-ranging appeal

Humphries said the event will appeal to all ages, offering carnival rides to beer tasting and log-carving demonstrations to craft vendors.

A huge tent and adjacent village of booths with be flavored with Alpine decorations, costumes, entertainment and dining. Visitors will be able to select from a full menu of German food in the main tent or snack food items in the village.

Northville Township public safety officers will be on hand

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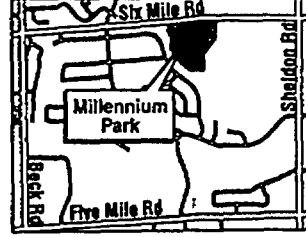
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"... it's as close as they can get to the real thing."

Karen Motz

German Teacher, Northville High School

Millennium Park



Asian expedition: School Board members ready for China, Japan

Local officials participate in national exchange

By Victoria Mitchell
RECORD STAFF WRITER

Marilyn Price walked into the board office last week, picking up spirit wear as gifts for Chinese educators.

The Northville Public Schools Board vice president and fellow board member Karen Paciorek are leaving this weekend for a 12-day China trip, with the expectation of exploring global educational opportunities.

"It wasn't that long ago that China was closed to the rest of the world," Price said. "The opportunity to travel there and then share that experience with our teachers and students will make it more real."

"Our goal is to develop cultural and educational exchanges between countries."

Karen Paciorek, trustee

Northville Public Schools Board of Education

During the Oct. 14-25 trip, Price and Paciorek will visit Beijing, Tianjin and Xi'an with a group of 17 administrators, principals and school board members from select private and public schools in southeast Michigan.

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Northville School Board members Karen Paciorek, left, and Marilyn Price will be traveling to China this month.

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Art Out of the Box heads to the races for fund-raiser

By Maureen Johnston
RECORD STAFF WRITER

Parcel Deneau's committee wanted to think outside the box planning an arts fund-raiser.

The goal: increase awareness and entice financial support for the Northville Arts Commission — while entertaining patrons.

The result: The second annual Art Out of the Box gala auction event will be 6:30-11:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 21, at Northville Downs.

"We were looking for an unexpected venue, something we could throw out there a little more creative as a commission," Deneau said. "It follows the first night of racing — it's something to talk about."

Event organizers are hoping the mix of 50 one-of-a-kind artworks up for grabs and a strolling dinner set in the excitement of live harness racing will encourage art supporters to reach for their wallets.

"That's definitely the way to go, you make it a social event," said Laurie Marrs, event co-host with Mayor Christopher Johnson. The former Northville Chamber of Commerce president said with outside arts funding drying up, support for the local arts must come from within the community.

'All these things'

Marrs said an event like Art Out of the Box, which generated \$5,500 for the commission in its inaugural year, helps spread the word about the commission's efforts to expand programming, add public art and increase patronage of the Cady Street Art House.

"The more you make people aware of the importance of the arts, that will get more people are willing to spend money on arts in the community," Marrs said. "It's not just drawing. It's music. It's sculpture. It's all these things that represent the arts."

"You can't have a community without art." Art Out of the Box, held at Genitti's in April last year, introduced the concept of artist-donated decorated boxes, painted chests and other creative containers, available for bid. The first-time event was the commission's largest fund-raiser, ranking behind Art Market rental fees and the city's annu-

"You can't have a community without art."

Laurie Marrs
Co-host, Art Out of the Box

al stipend in terms of net revenue toward the commission's \$66,000 budget.

"This year, we're hoping to raise more money," Deneau said. "We asked well-recognized artists in the Detroit area."

Northville artist Paul Vertrees donated a metal sculpture he titled "Counter Girl." Other works available for preview at the Art House include detailed hand-painted containers and Sandra Cardew's ceramic figure emerging from a box.

'Liven it up'

Art commissioner Evonne Simoff said the deadline for artists to submit their works is next week. The committee has been spreading word of the event by word of mouth, by mailed invitation and through the Northville Parks and Recreation Department, where tickets are being sold.

"We're really trying to bring in different people to see what the Art House is all about and what the arts commission does," Simoff said. "We're trying to liven it up by having it at a different location."

Deneau said success of events like Art Out of the Box directly translates into what the commission is able to offer at the Art House in terms of programming, hours of operation and gallery accommodations. She said despite perceived economic doldrums, momentum for support of the arts in Northville continues to be positive.

"We've had some real loyal supporters," Deneau said. "Our membership has not gone down, it's actually increased."

"We've already gotten a few, 'I cannot attend, but please accept my contribution.'"

"People are excited about the event."

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Northville Art Commission members Parcel Deneau, left, and Janet Drolshagen look at artist Paul Vertrees' "Counter Girl" — a piece prepared for the commission's "Out of the Box" Oct. 21 fund-raiser.

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Racing Under the Saddle
The night prior to Art Out of the Box, the Northville Racing Corporation will host its own gala at the track.
On Friday, Oct. 20, Northville Downs will open for the winter

season with a special exhibition of standardbred horses racing under saddle, rather than harness. The special race card will feature both a trot and a pace, with prizes valued at \$300 each race.
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Post office holds passport event

Travelers rush to meet 2007 federal law changes; more changes set for 2008

By Renee Saunders
RECORD STAFF WRITER

Taking a flight to Canada or Mexico?

Better get a passport. By Jan. 8, 2007, federal laws will make passports a necessity for travelers to leave the country.

Passports will be required for land travel in 2008.

To help ease a possible rush of frequent Canada visitors needing passports, Northville's local post office is offering a special day at the library for passport application processing from 10:30 a.m.-1 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 28.

Northville District Library is located at 212 W. Cady St.

"A lot of people are getting kind of panicked and want to have it just in case they go to Canada" said Linda Lewis, passport event coordinator at Northville's post office. "They would rather be safe than sorry."

To get their passport, participants need to bring their identification, valid birth certificate and their checkbooks.

Cost for a passport for applicants older than 16 is \$67, plus an additional application fee. Cost for applicants under 16 is \$52 plus the application fee.

The application fee is mandated by the federal government, but the money goes to the facility processing the applications.

Northville city and township residents can also get their passports from the city clerk at their local municipal complex.

Last year, the township gained between \$10,000 and \$20,000 from offering the service and the city earned \$18,660.

"We do have a little bit of friendly competition because where ever the applicants go, that's who gets the application fee," Sue Hillebrand township city clerk said.

Hillebrand said she considered joining the post office on Oct. 28, but her staff needs to focus on the Nov. 7 election.

"I hope it goes well for them," she said. "Unfortunately we're swamped."

In August, Hillebrand told The Northville Record that the township was considering offering a passport fair at township

hall and at Northville High School for seniors.

Hillebrand said holding special passport events will not be possible until December.

Northville City Clerk Diane Massa said the city won't be holding special passport application events in the future because her department isn't

budgeted for the overtime required to do so.

"We provide the service until 4 p.m., which is later than other communities," Massa said.

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Northville High School German class students are looking forward to Oktoberfest.

OKTOBERFEST: Chamber kicks off new fall celebration

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to escort families across Six Mile Road from the Northville High School parking lot to the festival site next to the fire station. The Wavel Folk Ensemble Dancers and three polka or German bands will entertain under the big top Friday and Saturday, while Melody Magic and the Oehrlein Bavarian Dancers, a children's troupe from Frankenmuth, will perform in the village Saturday afternoon.

Long-standing tradition

About 20 Northville High School German students will be among the volunteers selling Alpine souvenirs, orchestrating games and staffing village booths. High school German teacher Karen Motz recruited freshmen through seniors to participate in the local version of the annual celebration in Germany they study in class.

"They're curious," Motz said. "All of them have heard about the real Oktoberfest."

"Many of them have been to Munich and seen the location where the real Oktoberfests are held."

The German Oktoberfest, originated from a royal wedding in

Oktoberfest Menu

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- German Chocolate Chip cookies \$2
- Soft drinks \$2

medieval times, has evolved into a 16-day cultural festival filled with beer, traditional food and music. Motz said. She said she'll visit Millennium Park one or both days to check out the chamber event.

"I think as far as the food and the beer, it's as close as they can get to the real thing," she said. "The real Oktoberfest in Munich wouldn't have face painting."

"So there's a little American spin on that to make it family friendly."

Rolling out the barrel

At 6 p.m. tomorrow, township Treasurer Dick Henningsen will perform the ceremonial keg tap, traditionally performed by

Munich's mayor in Germany, to launch the first community-wide celebration hosted by the chamber in the township.

After the tent is up with generator and lights tonight, Humphries said this weekend's weather is the only wild card.

"Everyone can hunker down under the tent," she said. "We have heaters for the tent."

"We're anticipating a beautiful fall evening, followed by a beautiful fall day."

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Police nab suspected robber

By Renee Saunders
STAFF WRITER

Thomas Grant Reynolds, 51, of Livonia, faces a preliminary examination on Friday, Oct. 20, after being arraigned on second degree charges of home invasion, and illegal transaction of a financial device at the 35th District Court in Plymouth.

Sgt. Matthew Mayes of the Northville Township Police



Thomas Reynolds

Department said an undercover police surveillance team from the South Oakland Narcotics Intelligence Consortium observed

Reynolds commit a home invasion at the Cedar Lake Apartment complex at about 3 a.m. Friday, Oct. 6.

Mayes said seven home invasions have occurred at the apartment complex since August.

Burglaries similar to what Reynolds is suspected of have occurred in nearby communities.

"He is being investigated for the other incidents," Mayes said.

Mayes said Reynolds is also suspected of using one of the victim's credit cards. "We have it on a surveillance video," Mayes said.

Reynolds was arraigned on Monday, Oct. 9 and is being held on a \$160,000 cash bond at Wayne County Jail.

"Residents need to make sure they secure their homes," Mayes said. "Hopefully this arrest puts a stop to the burglaries."

OBITUARIES

CHARLES A. TENNANT

Age 66, of Northville, passed away Oct. 8, 2006. Loving husband, father, brother, grandfather and great-grandfather. Private services held. Memorial contributions to the American Cancer Society, 18505 W. 12 Mile, Southfield MI 48076. Casterline Funeral Home, Inc.

JAMES HAGGERTY MCNEICE, SR.

Age 84, passed away on September 20, 2006 at the home of his daughter in Fowlerville, MI after a long illness. Born Goshen, NY on November 28, 1921. He married Ellen Robertson where they were both in the U.S. Navy communications in Seattle, WA in 1945. The moved to Northville, MI in 1947 and resided there 32 years raising 5 children. He was a business executive of the Roolo Corp., Olympia Painting Co., and many tax and accounting clients. He retired to St. Petersburg, FL in 1979 and lived there 26 years. He is preceded in death by daughter Kathy in August, 2004 and his identical twin brother, Charles in August, 2006. He is survived by his wife Ellen of 61 1/2 years; son James Jr., of Howell, MI; daughters Donna (Frederick) Konopaska of Fowlerville, MI; Shelia (Terry) Morse of St. Petersburg, FL; Cynthia McNeiece of Oregon. James was a loving grandfather to his 20 grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren and will be sadly missed by his large loving family. Memorial services were held on September 26, 2006 at St. John's Episcopal Church in Howell, MI.



CAROL ANN GRAVES

October 3, 2006. Age 56 and a resident of Northville since 1987. A graduate of Wayne State University and the University of Michigan in Physical Therapy. Carol practiced physical therapy for over thirty five years and was currently working for Heartland Rehabilitation Group of Plymouth. She taught physical therapy at the Michigan Physical Therapist Association. She is survived by her children, Kelsey Graves, Joseph and Sean Sassaman. Also survived are her father Joseph and the late Mildred Trinkwalder, brother Tom (Caroline) Trinkwalder and the late Robert Trinkwalder, and sister Terry (Bruce) Perrell. Visitation was held at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home of Plymouth with a memorial Mass held at Our Lady of Victory Church in Northville. Interment followed at Riverside Cemetery, Plymouth. Contributions suggested to Mothers Against Drunk Driving.

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POICE BRIEFS

Home invasion

A 20-year-old woman in an apartment on the 1700 block of Cove Drive discovered a purse containing \$600 in cash, five credit cards, a mini purse and a green wallet missing from her home on Monday, Oct. 2.

She told police that she and her roommate left the apartment at 11 p.m. Sunday and when they returned at 2 a.m. the next morning, her things were missing.

She told police it was possible that the front door was not completely locked when she left. She said she canceled the credit cards and

there have been no reports of anyone attempting to use them.

Officers found no signs of forced entry or other evidence at the scene. The case is open

Driving while intoxicated

An 18-year-old was arrested at about 2 a.m. Friday after a patrol officer watched him stop at a flashing yellow light at Eight Mile Road near Meadowbrook. The officer reported the suspect also had trouble negotiating a curve at Griswold and Old Base Line roads on Friday,

Oct. 6.

The officer stopped the vehicle and reported that the lone driver smelled of alcohol. The officer administered a preliminary breathalyzer test and the driver registered a .13 blood alcohol level. After the breath test, the driver admitted to having three to four mixed drinks. He was arrested on charges of driving while intoxicated and faces a court date today. The case is closed.

Seconds count when it comes to cardiac, stroke emergencies

By Pam Fleming
GANNETT NEWS SERVICE

Pattie Horning and her 17-year-old daughter, Jackie, of Novi, know seconds count in a medical emergency.

They hope they never have to respond to a crisis, but they're ready if the need arises after taking a free course June 10 at Revival Outreach Center in Northville.

The course, sponsored by the Life Support Training Institute in Southfield, recently attracted 58 participants plus a group of area health care professionals who donated their time.

People came from as far as Detroit to learn the basics of cardiopulmonary resuscitation and other life-saving techniques.

The Hornings learned about the class through their church, First United Methodist in Northville, whose members encouraged them to take the class.

"We're both going to Appalachia this summer for the Appalachia Service Project, and they asked for more adults to par-

ticipate this year," Pattie Horning said.

They thought having basic knowledge of CPR might come in handy if a medical emergency were to occur on the trip.

This is Jackie's third time on the church-organized trip, and Pattie's first time. This year, 142 people plan to go on the week-long trip, where they will work on homes and complete various projects.

"She's interested in going into youth ministry, so she thought this class would be good to know for that, too," Pattie Horning said.

"We do a lot of volunteer work," Jackie Horning said.

Instructors also reviewed the use of AEDs — automated external defibrillators — and how to perform the Heimlich maneuver — a series of under-the-diaphragm abdominal thrusts used to help choking victims.

Another piece of advice shared was for everyone to have a piece of paper in their wallet or stored in their cell-phone address book with the acronym "ICE," which stands for "In case of an emergency."

They would recommend the class to others, and one of the organizers, Debra Yake, hopes to expand the class to neighboring communities such as Novi.

One of the reasons Yake wanted to increase the public's knowledge of life-saving techniques was due to a tragedy that struck her life.

She was with her mother in 1997 when she suffered a heart attack, and had she not noticed the signs and symptoms of a heart attack, her mother might have died in front of her eyes.

Yake's mother had triple bypass surgery and may be alive today because of her daughter.

The course's date also had personal meaning to Yake, as her grandfather died of a heart attack 40 years ago on June 10, 1966.

She plans to organize a class now each June in honor of her grandfather.

"When performed effectively, CPR doubles the chance of survival," Yake said.

Nikki Alderson, R.N., one of the instructors, said people need to know that helpers are buying time

Want to learn CPR?

Instructors at a class held recently in Northville used the American Heart Association's Family and Friends community CPR awareness course. The course is provided through a network of 3,500 training centers and 250,000 instructors and are available year-round.

For more course information, visit www.american-heart.org.

for victims by performing CPR.

"If someone's not getting oxygen, the brain dies in about six minutes," Alderson said.


"In six minutes, you're clinically dead. You can't stand around and wait for EMS."

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Spaghetti, everyone?

Cassel's Sunday dinner will put food on local families' table

First things first ... First Presbyterian Church's fine arts concert featuring guitarist Paul Vandiziano at 7 p.m. Sunday, not the date plugged last week. Tickets at \$15 per adult, \$10 for seniors and \$5 for students are available at the church office 9 a.m.-5 p.m. through Friday.

In Northville



It's always something

Speaking of setting the Record straight ... the new bar/restaurant coming to the corner of Northville Square on W. Main Street in the next three months will not be Japanese. NOMI is short for Northville, Michigan, although owners Rachel Stern and Al Irish are mum on additional details ...

And downstairs in Northville Square, the latest office tenants stressed their enterprise is "Plymouth Physical Therapy Specialists."

And finally, curious readers watching the transformation of the block-long building at Wing and Main continue with questions ... This week: "I am interested about the fountain that was mentioned in the Northville Record article." Building owners Margene and Bob Buckhave and Sheree and Scott Lowery are planning a two-story visitor structure, allowing mall visitors visibility between floors. Splashing!

Back problems? Then tonight you need to head over to First Choice Chiropractic of Northville, 41740 Six Mile Rd. The practice is hosting an open house from 4-8 p.m. to show off the latest in technology, their new spinal decompression machine. Aching to know more? Call (248) 465-0000.

What was that Simon and Garfunkel song? Northville Historical Society enthusiast Keith Paterson is lining up volunteers for a weekend rebuilding part of the bridge at Mill Race Historical Village. Tentatively scheduled Nov. 3-5. Anyone available can e-mail: kpat1862@comcast.net.

With special guest: Mark Abbo ... The Northville Colony Estates homeowners meeting is set for 7 p.m. Monday, Oct. 16 in Northville Township Hall. In addition to remarks by the township supervisor, residents will elect board officers and adopt their 2007 association budget. There may be mention of the snow czar ...

Officially a decade old ... the Northville District Library hosted more than 300 visitors during a birthday celebration Sunday. Wendy Gutowski, a driving force behind the library's construction in the 1990s, highlighted the library's artful roots. Also on hand to pay tribute were U.S. Rep. Thaddeus McCotter, state Sen. Nancy Cassis and state Rep. John Stewart. Congratulations to the staff, board and supportive community!

And speaking of events Sunday. The annual cemetery tour hosted by the Northville Historical Society also was a success, acquainting current residents with the community's founders.

Ready for a sneak peek? Proposed designs for Town Square, Mary Alexander Court, connection to Ford Field, and streetscape improvements drafted by the Grissim Metz Andriese Associates design team hired by the city will be on display during a community open house 5-7 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 26, in the Northville Community Center, 303 W. Main St. They're looking for feedback. Check it out!

Coming to your neighborhood this weekend ... the Northville Chamber of Commerce's first-ever Oktoberfest. Unlike the agency's signature Victorian Festival, chamber leader Jody Humphries said appropriate garb is not required, adding, "If you want to dress up in your favorite German outfit, go ahead."

From 5-8 p.m. tonight, downtown Northville merchants — and anyone else interested — are getting in the fall spirit by decorating

light posts with autumn decorations. Meet at Genitti's with scissors for cutting twine in hand. Thanks to Butch Walker's Pumpkin Farm for donating the truckload of cornstalks to get things rolling ... Merchant donations are helping to continue the fire department's annual tradition of hosting a costume contest and Halloween party Oct. 31.

Meanwhile ... business owners also competing in a contests of scarecrows, adorning their store windows. Young artists are invited to participate in the "Color the Town" campaign by entering a scarecrow coloring contest. Visit www.downtownnorthville.org for details.

On the next three Saturdays, Oct. 14, 21 and 28, many downtown merchants will be welcoming trick-or-treaters from noon-5 p.m. Look for orange posters in store windows announcing, "Treaters welcome here."

Also next weekend, the Northville VFW 4012 Ladies Auxiliary is hosting its second annual hair cutting fund-raiser for cancer aid and research. Four licensed barbers will cut men, women and children for \$12 from 9 a.m.-6 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 22 at the 438 S. Main St. club.

At the Moss Rose on E. Main Street, Sunday is the last day to special-order hand-carved McNicks for Christmas delivery. Don't miss your chance for a one-of-a-kind gift!

Buying or selling? The Northville/Novi Real Estate One will answer "Prime Time" call-in questions from 6-8 p.m. Oct. 19 about topics from market information in your neighborhood to foreclosure properties available locally. For more information, call (248) 348-6430.

Got books, video tapes, CDs or audio books you can part with? Friends of the Northville District Library are seeking donations to replenish their Book Cellar shelves. Proceeds from the used materials are used to underwrite programs not covered by the library's regular budget. Got a lot? Friends will pick them up. Call (248) 349-3020.

Recently split? First Presbyterian Church is starting another divorce recovery session next Thursday, covering legal aspects to helping children through it. The seven-week workshop meets 7:30-9:30 p.m. Thursdays. Visit www.single-place.org.

Get ready for some sophisticated style ... on Saturday, Mark Trudeau is hosting his third annual "Italian Day," including a trunk show, opportunity to meet Italian factory representatives, discounted merchandise and refreshments. Check out Fine Threads, 105 E. Main St.

Speaking of Italian flavor ... Adults eat for \$20 and children 10 and under for \$10 during a Sunday fund-raiser at Cassel's Restaurant in the Highland Lakes Plaza. Service is limited to 5 p.m. and 7 p.m. seatings, so stop by Cassel's to pick up tickets. The family-owned operation is donating half the meal price to Northville Civic Concern, which helps local families temporarily short on cash. Chicken Alfredo, spaghetti and meatballs, cheese ravioli, plus salad, bread, beverage and dessert. Yum!

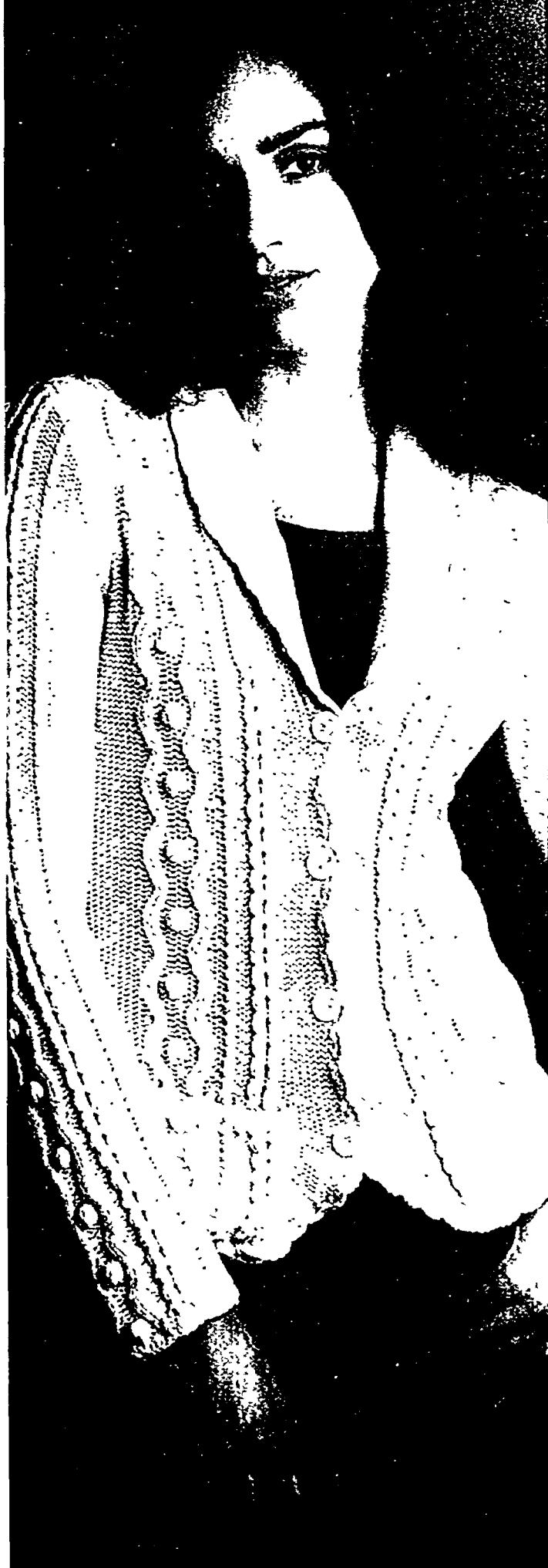


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Out of gas ... for now!

The Clark gas station on Northville Road, near Seven Mile Road, is currently closed for business while a \$200,000 renovation takes place at the 40-plus-year-old station.

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Meads Mill Middle School seventh grader Rachel Jarzembowski works on decorating her cut-out Monarch butterfly, which will be sent with student correspondence to their peers in Mexico.

Snail mail? No way

Paper butterflies ready to migrate

By Victoria Mitchell
RECORD STAFF WRITER

Matt Hyde thought carefully before settling on a patriotic theme for his monarch butterfly.

"They'll know it's from America because it is the American flag," said the Meads Mill Middle School seventh grader.

Tomorrow, about 90 individualized paper monarch butterflies will set sail from Meads Mill Middle School, heading south to Mexico for the winter. The butterfly exchange project is part of The Journey North, an international project between the United States, Mexico and Canada.

Meads Mill Middle School Spanish teacher Sarah Debien learned of the activity while substitute teaching at Amerman Elementary School last year.

"It is a really cool project," Debien said. "It is really cool the kids will be able to communicate with kids in Mexico."

The project included in the seventh and eighth grades Spanish I and II curricula simulates the natural migration patterns of monarch butterflies with paper likenesses traveling the same route.

Students throughout the United States and Canada decorate their butterflies, attaching messages written in Spanish on the back.

Once landing in Mexico, the students will keep watchful eyes on the paper monarchs before mixing them up and returning them to the United States and Canada come spring.

"I tell my students the butterflies are serving as an ambassador of the United States," Debien said. "I tell them it is a reflection of them, their school and their community."

Most of the Meads Mill messages tell the students' names, what they like to do and include a message asking the receiving students to watch over their butterflies. "I wrote my age, who I am and what I like," said

BRIDGING CLASSROOMS

"... Butterflies are serving as an ambassador of the United States."

Sarah Debien
Teacher, Meads Mill Middle School

Lauren Zawrotny, seventh-grade student. "I wrote I like to play basketball and tennis."

Most students said it was a great opportunity for learning to speak and write certain words in Spanish.

"It helps with the little things," Debien said. "It is vocabulary they need and have use for so they'll remember it more."

She explained the activity is an education in many disciplines.

Benefits, Debien said, include learning migration patterns, boosting oral and written language skills and forging cross-cultural friendships.

"It is a great way to put the culture into it," she said. "It teaches the students the similarities between families in Mexico and the United States and not just the differences."

"Kids are kids and that is one of the most important things to show them."

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EXPEDITION: Northville board members heading to China

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School officials said this is the first time representatives from Northville have been invited to China.

District teachers, administrators and students have enjoyed an ongoing partnership with Japanese educators through The Fulbright Memorial Fund program.

Northville Public Schools Superintendent Leonard Rezmierski will travel to Japan next month to take part in the Fulbright Memorial Fund inaugural "Superintendents' Dialogue," a panel discussion featuring leaders from three U.S. and Japanese school districts.

Chinese Expedition



SOURCE: Northville Public Schools

Purposeful travel

The purpose of the trip as defined by organizers is to establish education connections and exchange programs benefiting U.S. and Chinese students, teachers and administrators.

"Our goal is to develop cultural and educational exchanges between countries," Paciorek said.

Board member goals include observing teaching methods and beginning an ongoing exchange. Paciorek and Price will observe classrooms from kindergarten through higher education.

"We hope to soak up as much as we can," Price said.

Both officials said along with cross-educational opportunities they will relish chances at learning more about the country and culture of many district families.

"Northville has a number of families from China and it is helpful for our teachers, administrators and board members to be familiar with the educational experiences these children and their families bring to our schools," Paciorek said.

Bridging opportunities

Every week, five Northville students attend neighboring Novi High School to study Mandarin. The exchange is part of a district-to-district learning process.

Northville Public Schools Superintendent Leonard Rezmierski said the opportunity

is beneficial, giving students the chance to learn a language not offered in their home district.

Meanwhile, at Amerman Elementary and Hillside Middle schools students teleconference with children at school desks in Japan.

Price said when she returns she will present information of her trip to the Hillside Middle School seventh graders.

All are examples of promoting cross-cultural learning experiences the district embraces.

"If we want our students to succeed in today's global community, we have to forge relationships that will enable them to experience other cultures," Price said.

School officials said the district's ongoing cultural opportunities with Asia attribute to the global atmosphere the community promotes.

"We live in a global community in which technology is connecting people, ideas and economies from around the world like never before," Rezmierski said. "It is imperative that we provide opportunities for our teachers and students to participate on the world stage in a way that is meaningful and that will help them grow as world citizens."

Parting gifts

As part of the trip, the

Cost of trip

The Chinese and Japanese governments are covering the costs of both Asian trips. Any additional costs will be personally paid by the participants. School officials said no district funds are being used to fund either trip. The trip was organized by former state superintendent and Northville resident Tom Watkins through the cooperation of Louis Yen at The University of Michigan.

Northville Board members will present gifts to Chinese educators.

Paciorek and Price will travel armed with the spirit wear and compact discs containing Northville High School Symphonic and Jazz I music.

Both Northville school officials will be leaving professional and personal obligations behind.

For Price, it means leaving two school-age children without their mom for a short time. For Price leaving is an example she doesn't mind setting.

"It's great to model leaving and exploring and taking risks," she said. "We're adventurous folks."

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Hanging around!

Making her way across the monkey bars, Elayna Paull, 5, plays on the Fort Griswold play structure last week.



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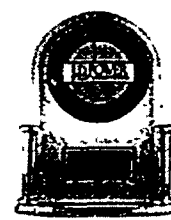


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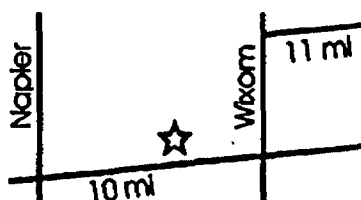
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By Victoria Mitchell
RECORD STAFF WRITER

Parents of Gayle Cartwright's class received a note on the first day of school urging them to keep peanuts out of her classroom.

The Winchester Elementary School second-grade class has chosen the peanut-free route for dealing with an increasing number of students with food allergies.

And along with allergies and food bans, Northville Public Schools has added another element to its student allergy procedure.

Students prone to severe allergic reactions now carry their "Eppy Pens" in a red pack around their waists.

School officials said the packs ensure quick administration of an epinephrine shot should a student allergic reaction occur. The student-carried adrenaline shots are kept inside the metal-lined pouch at all times.

Northville Public Schools Executive Director of Special Education Lynne Mossoian said she views the fanny pack procedure as a wonderful step toward child safety.

Mossoian said she has not heard any protest from parents concerned their allergic children are being singled out.

"When you go to the schools, you see the kids with them on," she said.

Former Moraine Elementary School Principal Mary Kay Gallagher said accepting students wearing the waist packs is part of the district's message of being caring and accepting individuals.

Gallagher said Moraine works to create an atmosphere where a red

Ways to Say No

- No, thank you
- I have food allergies, so I have to be careful about what I eat
- I can eat only snacks that my parents or teacher say are safe
- I am not hungry, thank you
- I am going to have a treat that is safe for me at home
- I am going to eat dinner with my family at home
- I'll take it home and ask my parents if it's safe for me to eat



SOURCE: The Food Allergy and Anaphylaxis Network

Feeling singled out?

According to a report issued by the Food Allergy and Anaphylaxis Network, kids who are teased because of food allergies are not alone.

Taunting like "Mmmm, this cupcake is sooo good ... too bad you can't have any," happens, the network said.

According to the network report, sometimes teasing can be dangerous — for instance if a kid tries to get you to eat something to which you're allergic.

Practicing school food scenarios with parents is a good idea. Amerman Elementary School took steps this year toward ending food allergy taunts and temptations.

A first week of school announcement stated the building is now peanut free.

waist pack is no different than someone wearing glasses or braces. Both are aids assisting a physical need.

Mossoian said a committee was formed this year charged with developing an allergy procedure manual for district buildings, including the waist packs.

"We're getting things organized so in Northville these are our procedures for food allergies," she said. "Northville has done extensive work meeting the needs of children with food allergies."

The procedures set by the district are not considered an adopted policy.

Sen. Michael Switalski (D-Roseville) would like to see all Michigan school districts adopt a policy concerning students with serious food allergies.

Switalski sponsored a bill, currently in the state Committee on Education, stating all school allergy policies should limit the possibility of allergen exposures and ensure a timely and adequate response.

He said his bill does not stipulate



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Isabel Mitchell, a Silver Springs fourth grader, enjoys lunch in the school's new multi-purpose room.

what the policy should state, just that it exists.

"It's not putting a mandate on what schools should do," he said. According to research reported in the December 2003 Journal of Allergy & Clinical Immunology, the prevalence of peanut allergies has doubled from 1997-2002.

"You hear goes out to the parents with children in these situations," Switalski said.

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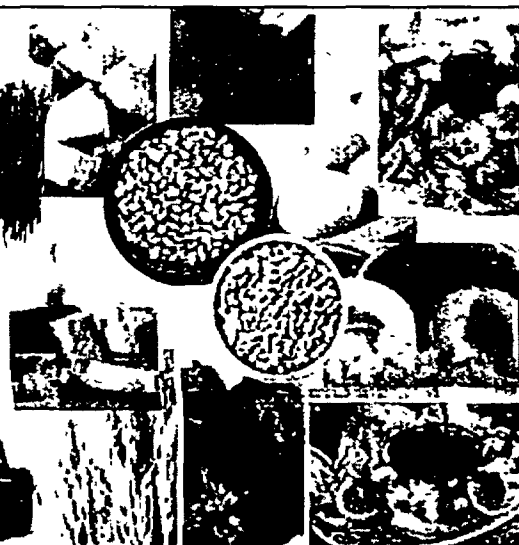
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Lynne Mossoian

Executive Director of Special Education, Northville Public Schools

Battling food bullies

- Tune the teaser out. A lot of teasers are looking for some kind of reaction from the person they are teasing. When the teasing starts, pretend that you don't hear it. Walk away or start talking to a friend.
- Tell the teaser how you feel and ask them to stop. This can be as simple as saying something like, "It makes me feel bad when you say things like that." Or, "let's make a deal ... if you don't tease me, I won't tease you."
- Tell an adult. Many times teasing is stopped when an adult has a talk with the teaser.
- Remember, everyone gets teased at one point or another, whether they have food allergies or not. Do not let it upset you. If you are really bothered by it, talk to a parent, teacher, guidance counselor, or other trusted adult.



SOURCE: The Food Allergy and Anaphylaxis Network



Silver Springs Elementary School students enjoy the first lunch in their brand-new \$1.3 million multi-purpose room last Wednesday. The addition, built on to the school's north side, will double as its theater for films and shows.

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CLASS NOTES

Board Meeting

The next Northville Board of Education regular meeting is 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 24 at Hillside Middle School, 775 N. Center St.

Senior All-Night Party

Class of 2007 parents are invited to an informational All-Night Party meeting 7 p.m. Monday, Nov. 13 in the Northville High School forum, 45700 Six Mile Rd. All parents of seniors are invited to attend.

St. Paul's Rummage Sale

St. Paul's Lutheran School in downtown Northville will be holding its annual rummage sale 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Friday, and 9 a.m.-noon Saturday, in the school gym, 201 Elm Street behind Hiller's Market. Proceeds will go toward classroom media improvements. For more information, please call the school office at (248) 349-3146.

Parent program

A parent program titled "Teen Relationships-Teen Sex" will take place 7 p.m. Tuesday, in the Northville High School forum, 45700 Six Mile Road. Jude Gunn, a NHS parent with years of counseling experience, and NHS social worker Lindsay Karr will share their thoughts on teenage relationships and sex. The program will focus on male-female relationships and the social dynamics of high school groups.

Sally Ride science

Sally Ride Science invites kids in grades five-eight to enter the Fifth Annual TOY challenge Engineering Design Competition. The competition is a chance to experience engineering as a fun, creative, collaborative process, relevant to everyday life by creating a dream toy or game. The

competition is open through the fall 2006-spring 2007 school year. Teams must have an adult coach; include three-six members, with half being girls; sign up by Dec. 15; pay a \$45 fee; and choose from themed-toy categories including "Games for the Family," "Get Out and Play" and "Toys that Teach." Prizes are awarded winners in each category. Further information is available at www.TOYchallenge.com.

Early Learning series

The Northville Public Schools Early Childhood Center's Early Learning Series will begin Tuesday, Oct. 24. Northville Public Schools teacher consultant Katie Shirk will present information on the link between quality early childhood experiences and later academic achievement. The workshop is geared for families with children from birth to 5.

Bug Hunt

The Friends of the Rouge annual Fall Bug Hunt is 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturday, starting at Schoolcraft College's VisTaTech Center. Kids are welcome when accompanied by one adult per child, and groups are limited to six individuals. Sites are located throughout the metropolitan area on small Rouge streams. Registration is required by tomorrow. For more information, call (313) 792-9621 or e-mail picoordinator@therouge.org.

Athletic passes

Family passes for 2006-07 Northville High School athletic events are available. The cost is \$60 for a regular pass and \$75 for a Super Pass, which includes hockey. Each immediate family member (up to six people) receives a non-transferable pass, allowing admittance to all home athletic contests Sept. 2006-June 2007, not including district and conference competitions.

Money generated from selling the pass goes directly to Northville High School sports. For more information, call (248) 348-4277.

Get your ticket

Music booster \$100 raffle tickets are now on sale, benefiting the Northville High School choir and band programs. More than \$40,000 will be awarded to 25 winners, with a top prize of \$15,000. Only 1,000 tickets will be sold. Tickets are available at home football games. For more information, call Mary Jo Ring at (248) 465-9987 or e-mail mjrandhjr@comcast.net.

St. Paul's Kindergarten

Children who will be 5 by Dec. 1 may register now for full- or half-day kindergarten at St. Paul's Lutheran School, 201 Elm St. For more information, call the office, (248) 349-3146 or stop by the school from 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Monday-Friday.

Early Education Openings

Northville Public Schools Early Childhood Center is enrolling for the 2006-07 school year. Openings are still avail-

able in the Child Care Classes at Thornton Creek and Main Street, 3-year-old Kids' Creative Corner preschool classes and the Parent/Child Classes for 1- and 2-year-old children. For more information, call the Early Childhood Center Office at (248) 344-8465.

Reflections Contest

The theme for the 2006-07 Reflections contest is "My favorite place ..." Entries are due in November. Submissions in the categories of literature, music composition, photography and art will be accepted. The PTA national competition honors student creativity in the field of arts.

Strum along!

Playing a lute, Guy Louis and his Chattaqua Express visits Ridge Wood Elementary School and introduces pupils to music from all over the world.

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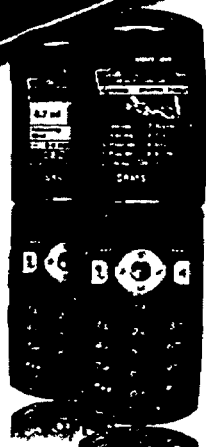


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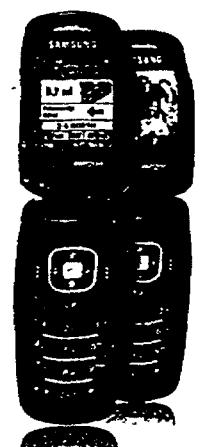
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By Tracy Mishler
SPECIAL WRITER

Linda Racine doesn't have to read a book to make people realize how irresistible she is.

In fact, the 36-year-old Northville Township resident said all women are irresistible in their own way.

"No one person is going to tell me how to keep my husband in love with me," Racine said. "If there were some magic manual that had all the answers, there wouldn't be any drama."

Racine said previous to her 2001 marriage to her husband, Rick, she wondered what it took to find the perfect spouse.

"We've all been there," she said. "Should I lose weight? Should I get a makeover or change the way I dress? What's wrong with me?"

"Then I realized, it's me who has to be happy with me before anyone else is going to be."

Though Racine swears by her own ways, some men and women seek self-help books to improve their lives.

With Ebony (E.E.) Kelley's debut novel, "How To Be An Irresistible Woman," women can now read their way to becoming the object of every man's desire.

"This book is my commentary and opinion on what worked for me," said Kelley, of Detroit. "I've always had people ask me for relationship advice ... The people that I date always treat me like a queen and my book can help others get the same treatment."

Kelley, 26, was born on the west side of Detroit and attended the University of Michigan for her bachelor's degree in English.

Learn from the pro

Kelley said her book is for married and single men and women.

"People should read books about improving their relationships," Kelley said. "The divorce rate in this country is crazy ... The only way to not bring children up dysfunctionally is to not have dysfunctional relationships."

In her book, Kelley discusses topics like being financially savvy, getting glamorous, being pretty on the inside and learning proper etiquette.

"The first part of the book is my commentary; the second is e-mails and phone conversations

"Then I realized, it's me who has to be happy with me before anyone else is going to be."

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from real people and the third part is the irresistible information — statistical information to back up my thoughts," she said. "What I say works. It's not just about getting a date, but helping (people) get healthy and whole and attracting someone who is healthy and whole."

Kelley said she swears by everything in "How to be an irresistible woman."

"I hope by reading this book, people will realize and recommit themselves to making their relationship bonds stronger," she said. "As women, we create a long list of things we want in a man."

"If we want all these things, then we have to do what (our partners) want too, and vice versa."



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Sing-a-long!

ABOVE: Moraine Elementary School students listen to the Gemini band.

LEFT: Gemini, comprised of twins Sandor and Laz Slomovits, entertain Moraine Elementary School students during an assembly.

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Running mates

Camaraderie, friendship fuel mutual running commitment

By Maureen Johnston
RECORD STAFF WRITER

The bouncing pony tail up ahead became a magnet.

And the lead runner with her hair pulled back knew her pals were behind her.

Five friends who this summer kicked off marathon training with the jesting mantra, "misery loves company" are turning a girlfriend's challenge into a proud commitment.

"I decided I was going to be 40 and fit or 40 and fat," said Mary O'Brien, 39, who recruited four friends, some who had dabbled in running and some, like her, who had not. "If you have someone to run with, it keeps you motivated."

So on Oct. 29, after three months of running park trails and subdivision concrete, five local moms will leave behind their husbands and 10 children to compete in the Detroit Free Press International Half-marathon.

Not for a record time and not for a commemorative medal, but because they said they were going to do it. And together, they did.

United by interest

O'Brien, a part-time dental hygienist and mother of daughters, 1 and 3, seized the notion of running the 13.1-mile race, then decided to drag along four friends, if they were willing. All mothers of two young children, Barbara Gach, 39, Pam Guenther, 42, Cathy Kelly, 43, and Melissa Lyles, 34, said yes.

Teaming up with peers similarly committed is the best way to reach a goal, according to Arnold Keller, executive director of Psychotherapy and Counseling Services. Twelve-step programs at his clinic and internationally unite individuals with common challenges to share their experiences.

"We often encourage people to find a workout buddy or someone who has common interests in physical or mental health," Keller said.

"There's a kind of intrinsic motivation when a goal is decided on by a group.

"Hidden in any group is a kind of competitive, motivational aspect that we don't find when we act individually."

'Friends to help'

After years of watching her husband, Eric, run marathons, Guenther said she had no personal aspirations to run. Then came O'Brien's invitation, at which she first recoiled, then reconsidered.

"When we ran our first six (mile run), we were so excited," Guenther said with a laugh. "You would have thought we'd run a marathon. We lived to tell about it."

O'Brien collected from the Internet, then distributed to her friends, information about how to train for the half-marathon, a cross-training regimen the women have followed.

The women have been running in their neighborhoods, on a school track, along Hines Drive and at Maybury and Kensington parks. Sometimes the hills quiet the running companions.

"Once we get to the point we're just grunting, we just kind of wave," Gach said. "When we get this rhythm thing going, it's a fun thing. It's like dancing."

Supportive husbands helped the women squeeze workouts into schedules filled with infants, pre-school and school-age children, and for O'Brien and Kelly also professional work demands.

"We are getting in shape, losing weight and building a closer bond of friendship," O'Brien said. "I was thinking I could never run 13.1 miles. I am now up to 10 miles and amazed by the distance every day."

"You're more apt to stick with your goal when you have friends to help."

Beyond the finish line

Keller said committing among

■ Five Girlfriends' Tips

1. Hook up with someone to run with.
2. Find a cheerleader.
3. Don't tell yourself you can't do it.
4. Make time for yourself.

"Once we get to the point we're just grunting, we just kind of wave."

Barbara Gach
Resident, Northville Township

peers to achieve a goal increases chances of success regardless of whether its quitting smoking, losing weight, continuing education or getting more physically fit.

"We're naturally inclined to seek endorsement and praise for our efforts," Keller said. "We're sharing our difficulties and problems with the group. The group is providing us with support and encouragement."

In two weeks, Gach, Guenther, Kelly, Lyles and O'Brien are going to applaud each other as they cross the finish line on Ford Field in Detroit. O'Brien wants to keep the momentum rolling.

"I was already searching out runs after," she said.

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Northville friends running the Oct. 29 Detroit half-marathon: Melissa Lyles, Pam Guenther, and Mary O'Brien, front left, and Barbara Gach.

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	Village
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Our fundamental purposes are to enhance the lives of our readers, nurture the home towns we serve and contribute to the business success of our customers.

Flavor the local soup!

Community cooperation is once again featured on Northville's menu.

Last week, city and township residents ate cake while celebrating the anniversary of the Northville District Library they created 10 years ago.

This week-end, the township will serve up Millennium Park and support services for Northville's inaugural Oktoberfest — the Northville Chamber of Commerce's first community-wide festival to be held outside the downtown perimeter.

And former chamber president Laurie Marrs laded the origin of Northville's unique partnership among municipal, school and business bodies during a "Stone Soup" talk at Meadowbrook Country Club opening the Northville Woman's Club season.

Marrs, who moved to Northville 34 years ago, employed her contagious can-do attitude to help unite many of the powers-that-be in the common cause of improving Northville, for everyone. She said her inspiration came from her mother's advice, "You have to count your blessings and you have to give back."

She pioneered events like the Victorian Festival, creating an entertainment venue for all residents, an educational opportunity for school chil-

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ideas and required community cooperation.

Marrs' "Stone Soup" recipe, calling on individuals to contribute the pot to feed the entire community, still needs to be flavored and tended. Despite recent growth, Northville remains a small town, anchored by a timeless downtown, surrounded by neighborhoods and affected by enthusiastic endeavors.

The names Marrs cited as the original leaders, who bought into the all-for-one and one-for-all spirit, have mostly changed. But their spirit lingers. And just like 30 years ago, there is work to be done: in the schools, revitalizing the downtown and supporting efforts that make Northville our unique hometown.

Go to the Oktoberfest tomorrow night or Saturday. It is something new; more flavor added to Northville's soup. And think about taking your turn in the kitchen, stirring a homemade soup Northville uniquely calls its own.

den, commerce for the businesses and an identity for the town. Northville's most popular ongoing summer event, the Farmers Market, along with the annual Business Showcase and Art in the Sun each evolved from simple

Historically speaking!



Unidentified women gather in the park, circa 1900. If anyone has information about the identity of these women, the Northville Historical would appreciate your help. Call (248) 348-1845.

LETTERS

Vote 'no' on Proposal 3

On Nov. 7, voters will have the opportunity to restore a 100 year-old ban on shooting Mourning Doves, Michigan's official Bird of Peace, by voting NO on Proposal 3.

Doves are not harmful to people, property or crops. They aren't a viable human food source, but are an important food for our birds of prey. Studies of dove hunts show high wounding rates for doves and that many hunters just leave kill where it falls. Shooting them produces large amounts of lead pollution in crop-growing fields and poisons wildlife.

Shooting these birds for target practice is not regarded as ethical hunting by a majority of Michigan citizens, including hunters. Proposal 3 does not address any other issues. It is simply about restoring the 100-year ban on shooting Mourning Doves.

Please join me in voting NO on Proposal 3, November 7.

Kate Hanson
Manchester

Proposal 5

How many residents of Northville/Novi who are still employed in the private sector today, enjoy a Blue Cross/Blue Shield PPO health care plan, without any deductible cost?

That is the coverage that the Northville Board of Education agreed to provide for all full-time school district employees in the last 2004-06 contract. Employees pay one-fourth of one percent of their annual salary towards this plan.

Teachers hired before the 1998-99 school year, already enrolled in a Blue Cross/Blue Shield Medical Option (MO) with an annual deductible of \$200 for a full family, could continue such coverage. Employees pay one-half of one percent of their annual salary towards this plan.

With such generous and costly health care and pension benefits, even for new employees, Proposal 5 on the November ballot, the K-16 Proposal to fully fund "education" will not benefit kids, but school employees.

The consequences will be continued cuts in the classroom, reduced state and local services, and/or higher taxes.

Laura J. Lorenzo
Northville

Books to New Orleans

Nothing like a good book to take your mind off of your troubles and Mike Ladwig, owner of the UPS store in Downtown Northville helped to make sure some New Orleans students could open a book this week. Many generous residents of Northville collected children's books for schools in New Orleans hoping to help fill up New Orleans' empty school libraries. A call was made to Mike asking for his help in shipping these books out. He not only packed all the books up in boxes, but also picked up the cost of shipping hundreds of books. Mike has not only been a great neighbor to Northville residents and businesses but became a great neighbor to kids that live a thousand miles away. New Orleans's children will be able to escape from their troubles tonight with a good book.

Thank you for your generous heart Mike!

Terri O'Brien
Northville Resident

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City: Arts saddle up for the long run

For more than 20 years, the Northville Arts Commission has been a hearty band of volunteers supporting arts programming in town, hosting concerts, promoting foundation of the Art House and erecting public sculptures like the Treble Clef at the gazebo and the Baseline monument at Eight Mile Road and Center Street. On Oct. 21, they're reaching out to residents loyal to and unfamiliar with their efforts by hosting their Art Out of the Box fund-raiser at Northville Downs. For \$65, it's a great opportunity to learn about the local art scene and explore a unique hometown venue as the local landmark kicks off another season of live harness racing.

Schools: Keeping students safe

As with many of the Northville Public Schools policies and procedures, the district is again leading an effort to write and implement procedures governing student welfare. School officials recently wrapped up a procedure manual on how buildings can address students with allergies, often severe. If proposed legislation mandating food allergy policies becomes law, the district will be already at the finish line. We applaud the district's continual effort to self-govern in the interest of the public school children.

Good-bye, Northville

In a bizarre twist, Mustang orange gets traded for Wildcat green

When the corporate suits delivered the news last Friday, I didn't flinch. And I certainly didn't say exactly what was on my mind.

"You want me to do what?"
"Go to Novi," I was told. "Be the editor there. There are challenges we think you're equal to. You like challenges. We thought it would be a good fit."

"But here in Northville we just climbed back from the abyss, and last week we were named Newspaper of the Year ..."

"Right. Can you start next Wednesday?"
Yesterday was my first day. Good-bye, Northville. It was fun. Gotta go. Next stop: Novi.

Sad good-bye? Hardly. Sad would have been 2-and-a-half years of broken promises and unfulfilled potential. Sad would have been our inability to leave the Northville Record better than we found it. Sad would have been our refusal to turn the spotlight where it belongs most — directly on Northville. Sad would have been our professional unwillingness to focus on localized coverage and ask tough questions.

Sad good-bye? No way!
We did all of those things, even when public officials grimaced at our audacity to ask them — self-described "fiscal con-

servatives" — if they actually knew the size of their annual budget. We pressed officials for answers when it would have been easier to look the other way, or settle for a public pat on the head. We dove into stories that at first seemed too muddled, sorted through them, then climbed out only when we had a way of explaining the details simply, fairly and accurately.

We solicited opposing viewpoints to promote diversity and inspire public debate. Imagine that, eh? And we bit our lip when the partially-informed and single-issue proponents got up on a soapbox and painted the entire barn with a single broad brush.

Mostly, we resisted the urge many local newspapers crave: to become the story, rather than report the story. The only stories we ever cared about were the ones affecting you.

Maybe that's why leaving now is not difficult, and handing over the Northville Record keys to a new editor comes with a certain sense of personal satisfaction.

As editors, we are caretakers more than celebrities. The common misperception is that everyone knows us, and we know everyone. Not true. The best editors, I believe, are those who stay in the background. We are at our best when we are quietly listening and observing, playing devil's advocate while refusing to bask in the public spotlight, or risk overshadowing our reporters.

An editor's job is simple: Defer the credit. Take the blame.

That approach certainly now makes for an easier good-bye. Not because I haven't made friends and personal contacts I hope to maintain. And not because the many private "off-the-

record" conversations I've had with residents, business owners and public officials didn't impact me in some way.

Mostly, it's because the biggest reward an editor can achieve is our ability to pass along a newspaper that is better than we found it.

In Northville, that's the case. The best news? Those most responsible for our progress since 2004, the reporting staff, will remain. They value what they've built, and they are committed to maintaining a local newspaper that is relevant and revelatory, smart and informative.

Northville faces many serious challenges: schools, growth, diversity and the local economy. Tough questions need asking. Informative stories need writing. So, get to it. Why are you still listening to me? This is no time for nostalgia. Get to work!

For me, it's time to move along. Opportunity has catapulted me to the other side of Baseline Road. I've been traded from the Red Sox to the Yankees. Same desk; different community. Rebuilding from the ground up, all over again. I love it. Too much, I think.

But change is the only constant in our business, so the best we can hope for is to do good work wherever we land, and inspire those who succeed us to improve what we've already started.

In Northville, I think we've done that. I hope we have. Good-bye, Northville. I'll be rooting for you. Thank you, for everything.

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COMMENTARY

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DeVos still lacking clear political voice

The most, um, spirited exchange in last week's debate between Gov. Jennifer Granholm and challenger Dick DeVos arose when Granholm charged DeVos with omitting from his financial disclosure statement an investment in Alterra Health Care Corp., a Milwaukee-based nursing home company with a very troubled track record of bankruptcy and patient abuse.



Phil Power

Whether or not you think Granholm's charge was a cheap shot and whether or not you think DeVos bungled his response, the episode threw a bright light onto gaps in Michigan's financial disclosure rules.

And the exchange provided valuable insight into the emotional makeup and political tactics of people running for very high office.

The Democratic incumbent, who has made her tax returns public, criticized her wealthy Republican challenger for not releasing his, and wondered aloud what other oddities remained hidden.

In March, DeVos released an eight-page statement disclosing his charitable contributions and investment holdings and sources of income as of Dec. 31, 2005. He also provided some information about tax rates ... but not his complete tax return.

Nor were there any specific dollar amounts in his disclosure.

Turns out that Michigan is one of only three states (the others are Vermont and Idaho) that has no financial disclosure law at all.

Rep. Steve Tobocman (D-Detroit) has introduced a bill that would require personal financial disclosure. And to the surprise of no one, it has been stalled in committee. Granholm supports the bill; John Truscott, DeVos' spokesman, says his guy feels it isn't needed.

Most other candidates for governor have released either

their tax returns or a detailed financial disclosure. Former Gov. James Blanchard made his tax returns public, while former Gov. John Engler disclosed summaries of income and investments that included dollar amounts.

But flamboyant attorney Geoffrey Fieger, rich but certainly not as wealthy as DeVos, did not disclose his financial position, when he was the Democratic nominee for governor in 1998.

It's not hard to figure out why some have been reluctant to do so. Disclosing your personal financial details is a little like taking your pants down in public (I had to do it in 1978, when I ran in the Democratic primary for U.S. Senate; it felt plenty uncomfortable.) And you can be sure that anyone as well endowed as DeVos has some pretty smart tax advisors.

I wouldn't be surprised if DeVos' tax return shows very high income and not much tax paid. That would, of course, be embarrassing.

Yet taking your pants down in public is something candidates for high office just have to get used to. It's part of a necessary emotional evolution from a private citizen to a public candidate. It's a long, difficult and intensely personal process, one that cannot be done for a candidate by the handlers and consultants. And it's an essential part of a candidate finding his or her true voice on the stump and, especially, in debates. (I should know; I never found my voice back when I was running, and Carl Levin beat me.)

And so I'm not at all surprised at DeVos' hesitant performance in the debates with Granholm. Before he ran for governor, his career was in business. Admittedly, he had much involvement with politics, but entirely in the back room. His wife, Betsy DeVos, was, for a time, state party chair.

The candidate simply has not had much time to go through the necessary emotional evolution to full candor — which is never complete till one finds his true voice and confidence as a political performer.

That has compounded his problems in mounting a coherent challenge to Granholm's record and in making it clear what he would do instead.

Take the Single Business Tax, for instance. It is now scheduled to disappear for certain at the end of next year. Virtually everybody agrees it was a bad tax. Granholm proposed a detailed plan to modify the SBT, but that was rejected by the legislature. DeVos says he's happy it is gone.

But when he is pressed to say how he'd replace the \$1.9 billion hole that would blow in the \$9.3 billion state general fund, he's very vague.

What he has been saying up to now is that the SBT will have to be replaced by some sort of business tax that generates "about half" of the revenue now produced by the SBT.

Okay ... but he's ducked and dodged the questions of exactly what kind of business tax he would favor and which parts of state spending he would cut to plug a \$950 million hole in the state's budget. And it's hurting him with voters who reasonably want to know what they'd get.

Finding your voice is tough for any candidate. But it's something you've gotta do, especially when you're running for governor and when \$1.9 billion and the state's economic future is on the table.

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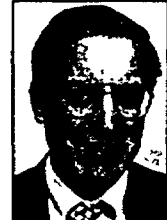
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Northville teachers: We manage by fact

The Northville Education Association, sometimes referred to as the teachers' union, prides itself in being an organization that "manages by fact" (MBF). Having read the Aug. 31 and Oct. 5 editorials regarding teacher contract negotiations, I felt it necessary to provide a response.

The editorial cites depleted state funding and slower than expected growth, yet Northville's foundation allowance has increased and so has its student enrollment. The District has approximately \$2.5 million in additional money for the 2006-07 school year, due to increased enrollment and an increased per-pupil foundation allowance from the state.

One-hundred-twenty-four new students are enrolled to date for the 2006-07 school year. Let's be clear. Northville's enrollment is not decreasing. It has increased substantially over the last several years. Questions do remain as to how an enrollment projections company, whose services rendered by the District on multiple occasions, could be so far off in its latest projections.

I take exception to the suggestion of "...reshaping an outdated, unrealistic contract mode ...". Yes, salary steps have been around for years. The 12-step salary schedule was actually implemented by the school district as a cost-cutting measure, whereby new teachers would receive less salary than current teachers in the same jobs. How ironic that the auto industry is now considering going to a similar model to cut costs. While the editorial views it as outdated, the model is now looking to be ahead of its times.

Are Northville teachers overpaid? According to the May 25, 2006 edition of the Observer Eccentric, Northville teachers' salaries rank 14th in Wayne County alone. Yet, on the flip side our MEAP and ACT scores are ranked as one of the highest in the state. The list of national, state, and local awards that Northville teachers have received is far too long to list here. Community surveys say that the number one reason Northville Schools are great is its teachers. District officials describe this as "getting the best bang for the buck." Is that a compliment? I am not sure that teachers would agree.

With respect to teacher compensation, districts seem to always anticipate additional program cuts during bargaining years. Teachers understand their obligation to contribute to their own retirement and benefits. They always have. What teachers do not understand is how upon settling a teachers' contract, a Board of Education can then approve administrator salary raises that are three times what teachers receive. While creative compensation packages, including district-paid tax sheltered annuities under section 403 B, are offered to district administrators, the Board holds the line with its teachers.

Maybe things are changing in Northville. For the first time since 1979, teachers have worked without a contract. Yet, teachers have not missed a beat. It is like a well-oiled machine where the integral parts of exceptional teachers and supportive parents continue to gear up for the education of students. Without the undying support of parents, teachers would be missing a cornerstone to the educational process. What

will remain constant is this exceptional relationship between hugely supportive parents and top-of-the-line teachers. Two groups who agree that kids deserve a quality education. To this end, the average teacher in Northville spends 10.7 additional hours each week beyond their contractual hours in preparation for students.

It is important to note that during this time 100 percent of Northville teachers belong to the PTA. Why? Because that is what Northville teachers do. They realize the value of a strong relationship with Northville parents. When the district eliminated a majority of the budget that supports curriculum development and instruction, parents stepped in and purchased textbooks. Even though teachers do not believe that parents should be asked to finance the curricular piece, they are nevertheless, extremely grateful. In concert with parents' generosity, the average Northville teacher contributes \$197 each year in out-of-pocket expenses toward students in their classrooms.

Yes, it will become increasingly important for the district to become good stewards of the taxpayers' money. This can be accomplished by presenting proposed budgets and state audits that are free and clear of serious discrepancies and substantial clerical errors.

Let's not forget that Northville parents are also educated taxpayers who possess the highest rate of graduate degrees in the state of Michigan. They are smart. They can figure this out.

Ann Cook is president of the Northville Education Association

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• **PEAR-APHERNALIA'S 5TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION**
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TIME: Mon-Sat, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

LOCATION: 184 E. Main St.
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CONTACT: (248) 596-1430

• **ART WALK**
DATE: First Friday of every month
TIME: 5-9 p.m.
LOCATION: Downtown Northville

DETAILS: Art galleries, arts and crafts stores and restaurants will be open; art demonstrations and exhibits available in shops.
CONTACT: Tom James, Gallery of Fine Arts, (248) 349-0105

• **PORTFOLIO PREPARATION CLASS**

DATE: Saturdays, Sept. 16 through Nov. 18
TIME: 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
LOCATION: First class will be at Awakening the Artist Inside, 111 N. Center St.; Remaining classes will be held at the Northville Art House, 215 W. Cady St.

DETAILS: This class is to assist the serious art student in developing the design and composition skills in preparation of a portfolio that could be used to gain admission into art school. The instructor is Mary Ann Relyea. There is a course fee of \$275.

CONTACT: Robyn Mewha, (248) 347-0807

• **SALSA DANCE LESSONS**

DATES: Oct. 4-Nov. 1
TIME: 6:30 p.m.
LOCATION: Studio 427, 122 W. Main Street
DETAILS: The cost of this five week class is \$75.
CONTACT: (248) 449-6501

• **ITALIAN DAY**

DATE: Saturday, Oct. 14
LOCATION: Fine Treasures Men's Apparel, 105 E. Main
DETAIL: The third annual festival and sale will feature food and spirits from Northville's finest restaurants, as well as factory representatives from Italy.
CONTACT: Mark or John, (248) 349-5097

• **DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION**

NORTHVILLE/PLYMOUTH
DATE: Monday, Oct. 16
TIME: 6 p.m.
LOCATION: Cady Inn, Mill Race Village
DETAILS: Pam Yockey will speak and instruct on costume collecting.
CONTACT: (734) 459-4764

• **NORTHVILLE COLONY ESTATES**

HOMEOWNERS MEETING
DATE: Monday, Oct. 16
TIME: 7 p.m.
LOCATION: Northville Township Hall
DETAILS: Guest speaker will be Mark Abbo. Meeting is for election of officers and to adopt the 2007 budget.

• **REAL ESTATE ONE "PRIME TIME"**

DATE: Thursday, Oct. 19
TIME: 6-8 p.m.
DETAILS: Call with any questions regarding the real estate market, mortgages and credit, moving, or a career in real estate.
CONTACT: Real Estate One Novi/Northville office, (248) 348-6430

• **SECOND ANNUAL ART OUT OF THE BOX NIGHT**

DATE: Saturday, Oct. 21
TIME: 6:30 p.m.
LOCATION: Northville Downs
DETAILS: The Northville Arts Commission is sponsoring this fund-raiser for the Art House. This event will feature dining, entertainment, and auctions.
CONTACT: info@northvillearts.com

• **HAIR CUTS FOR CANCER**

DATE: Sunday, Oct. 22
TIME: 9 a.m.-6 p.m.
LOCATION: Northville VFW 4012, 438 S. Main St.

DETAILS: This event is sponsored by the Ladies Auxiliary to benefit cancer aid and research. It will feature licensed barbers Dave, Jon, Sarie, and Wally. Men, women, and children are welcome. Cuts are \$12 each.

• **FARMERS MARKET**

DATE: Thursday through Oct. 26
TIME: 8 a.m.-3 p.m.
LOCATION: Northville Downs parking lot, corner of Seven Mile and Sheldon roads
DETAILS: More than 100 stalls include fresh produce, plants, flowers, baked goods, garden art, crafts and home accessories. This is sponsored by the Northville Chamber of Commerce and Prestwick Estates of Northville Hills Golf Club.
CONTACT: (248) 349-7640

• **NORTHVILLE GARDEN CLUB**

DATE: Monday, Nov. 6
TIME: 10 a.m.
LOCATION: Cady Inn
DETAILS: This event will be a pine cone and bow workshop to prepare for the Greens Mart.
CONTACT: Julie Mantay, (248)349-1602

• **NEW HOPE CENTER FOR GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP**

DATE: Friday, Nov. 10
TIME: 7 p.m.
LOCATION: The Hellenic Cultural Center, 36375 Joy Road, Westland
DETAILS: This is a fund-raiser with a 50's theme, featuring music, dancing, raffle, food, and prizes. The cost is \$25 per person, including food. Cash bar available. Reservations required by Oct. 13.
CONTACT: New Hope Center at (248) 348-0115, 9 a.m.-4 p.m., Monday-Friday

• **GARDENERS OF NORTHVILLE & NOVI**

DATE: Monday, Nov. 13
TIME: 6:30 p.m.
LOCATION: Novi Civic Center
DETAILS: This will be workshop on fresh holiday centerpieces. The cost is \$30. Registration is required.
CONTACT: (248) 348-1946, or www.gardenersnorthville-novi.org

• **MARQUIS THEATER**

LOCATION: 135 E. Main St.
CONTACT: (248) 349-8110 or www.northvillemarquistheatre.com

• **"PINKY THE FLYING GHOST"**

TIME/DATE: 11 a.m., Saturday, Oct. 21, 28; 2:30 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 14, 21, 28; 2:30 p.m., Sunday, Oct. 15, 22, 29; 7 p.m., Friday, Oct. 27
DETAILS: Children ages 3 and under are not permitted. Tickets are \$8 per person.

• **HIGHLIGHTS OF HOLLYWOOD**

TIME/DATE: 8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 13; 8 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 14
DETAILS: Children age 6 and under are not permitted. Tickets are \$12 for adults, \$10 for seniors and students.

• **VEGAS MAGIC SHOW**

DATE/TIME: Friday, Nov. 3, 4, 8 p.m.; Saturday, Nov. 4, 8 p.m.; Sunday, Nov. 5, 2:30 p.m.
DETAILS: This show will feature some of the top magicians in the world. Children under the age of 6 are not permitted. Tickets are \$15 for adults, \$12 for seniors and students.

• **GENITTI'S LITTLE THEATER**

LOCATION: 108 E. Main St.
CONTACT: (248) 349-0522 or www.genittis.com

• **"Dinner Theater - 'Law and Disorder'"**

DATE: Various dates through November 18
TIME: 6:30 p.m.
DETAILS: Tickets are \$45 per person for dinner and show. Reservations required.

• **"The Frank Sinatra Tribute from Las Vegas"**

DATE: Friday, Oct. 20; Saturday, Oct. 21
TIME: 7 p.m.
DETAILS: Tickets are \$45 per person for dinner and show. Reservations required.

• **Johnny Ginger**

DATE: Friday, Nov. 3
TIME: 7 p.m.
DETAILS: Tickets are \$35 per person for dinner and show. Reservations required.

• **The Reflections**

DATE: Saturday, Nov. 4
TIME: 7 p.m.
DETAILS: "Just like Romeo and Juliet." Tickets are \$45 per

person. Reservations required.

• **"WILLIE JONES AND THE ROYAL JOKERS REVIEW"**

DATE: Saturday, Nov. 18
TIME: 7 p.m.
DETAILS: Tickets are \$45 per person for dinner and show. Reservations required.

• **HALLOWEEN FOR KIDS**

DATE: Saturday, Oct. 14, Oct. 21, Oct. 28
TIME: 11:30 a.m.
DETAILS: Arrive at Genitti's for lunch including soup, baked bread, pasta, salad, garlic chicken, brownies and lemonade. After lunch see the interactive comedy "Superzéros" in the theater. Wear your costumes. Bring your cameras.

• **GENITTI'S ACTING WORKSHOPS**

DATE: We will open any date for 10 or more.
DETAILS: Enjoy our famous family style lunch or dinner, then practice voice and body movement with one of our actors on stage. Play theater games. Take a backstage tour. \$16.95 per person. Everyone gets a Genitti's fun patch.

• **MAYBURY STATE PARK EVENTS**

LOCATION: Eight Mile Road, between Beck and Napier roads
CONTACT: (248) 349-8390
• **Maybury Farm Corn Maze**
DATE: Ongoing-Oct.29
TIME: Fridays 5-9 p.m.; Saturdays and Sundays 1-9 p.m.
DETAILS: Last Wagon leaves at 8 p.m.
CONTACT: Northville Community Foundation (248) 374-0200

• **Maybury Farm Programs**

TIME/DATE: noon-5 p.m., Wednesday through Sunday
LOCATION: Eight Mile Road, west of Beck Road, look for the farm entrance sign

DETAILS: Admission is \$3 per adult and \$2 per child; children ages 3 and under are free.

CONTACT: (248) 374-0200

• **Hayride**

DETAILS: Hayrides are available on weekends or for groups pre-registered throughout the week.

LIBRARY LINES

LOCATION: 212 W. Cady St., near Northville City Hall; parking off Cady Street

TIME/DAY: 10 a.m.-9 p.m., Monday-Thursday; 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Friday-Saturday; and 1-5 p.m., Sunday
CONTACT: For information or to register for programs and request or renew library materials, (248) 349-3020

• **FALL TOT STORYTIME**

TIME/DATE: 10:15 a.m., Monday, Sept. 25 - Oct. 30; Wednesday, Sept. 27-Nov. 1; Thursday, Sept. 28-Nov. 2
DETAILS: This program is for children 2 and 3 years old accompanied by a parent or caregiver. Registration required, beginning Sept. 6. Sessions are limited to 13 children. Babies, siblings, or non-registered children may not attend.

• **FALL KIDS CLUB**

TIME/DATE: 4:30 p.m., Today
DETAILS: This is an after school program for children in first, second, and third grades featuring stories, games, and crafts. Sessions are limited to 20 children. Registration is required.

• **LITTLE ME STORYTIME**

TIME/DATE: 11:15 a.m., Fridays, Oct. 13, Nov. 10, Dec. 8
DETAILS: This is a program for babies and children up to 2 years of age, along with parents and caregivers, providing music, beanbag fun, and simple stories. Older children are welcome. No registration is required.

• **FALL STORYTIME**

TIME/DATE: 4 p.m., Monday, Oct. 9-Nov. 13; 10:15 a.m., Tuesday, Oct. 10-Nov. 14
DETAILS: This program is for children ages 4 and 5, and in Kindergarten, that are comfortable without a caregiver present. The program features stories and crafts. Sessions are limited to 20 children. Registration is required.

• **DANCE, DANCE REVOLUTION PARTY FOR TEEN READ WEEK**

TIME/DATE: noon-5 p.m.,



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Dressing up for the holidays!

Northville Garden Club members Joan Noonan, left, and Patty Page make ribbons for the club's 31st annual holiday greens sale. Each year the club makes holiday wreaths, including 26-inch models \$17. Sale proceeds are reinvested in the Northville community, primarily in the form of college scholarships for Northville High School students. For ordering information, call Julie Mantay at (248) 349-1602. For an order form, see Page 19A.

DATE: Saturday, Oct. 21
DETAILS: Teens are invited to come for a fun competition of DDR.

• **HALLOWEEN CRAFTS FOR KIDS**

TIME/DATE: 4 p.m., Tuesday, Oct. 24
DETAILS: Children of all ages are invited to make a fun Halloween necklace in the library's meeting room. Children ages 5 and under must be accompanied by a caregiver. No registration is required.

• **PUMPKIN CONTEST**

DATES: Monday, Oct. 23-Friday, Oct. 27
DETAILS: Children of all ages are invited to guess the number of goodies in a jar for a chance to win one of two spectacular painted pumpkins. The winners will be chosen, and contacted, on Saturday, Oct. 28.

• **BOOKS, CHAT, & CHOW**

TIME/DATE: 4:15 p.m., Wednesday, Oct. 25
DETAILS: This book group is for children in middle and high school. The book, "Lizzie Bright and the Buckminster Boy", by Gary Schmidt will be discussed.

• **JUNIOR BOOKS, CHAT, & CHOW**

TIME/DATE: 4:15 p.m., Wednesday, Oct. 25
DETAILS: This book group is for children in Fourth and Fifth grades. Make friends, have treats, and discuss Louise Curry's novel, "The Egyptian Box."

• **THE GENEALOGY OF A HOUSE**

TIME/DATE: 7 p.m., Monday, Oct. 16
DETAILS: State archivist Mark E. Harver will presents tips on how to research the background of your house. Registration required.

• **FRIENDS STORE**

DETAILS: The Friends Store, located inside the library, offers a variety of gifts for all ages. All proceeds benefit the library.

• **BOOK DONATIONS**

DETAILS: Used books and

materials are needed by the Friends of the Library. The library contributes to the collection and donates the rest to the Friends for sale, with proceeds benefiting the library. Donations are tax deductible. If you need assistance unloading books from your car, call (248) 349-3020 in advance to make arrangements.

• **LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEE MEETINGS**

DATE: Fourth Thursday of every month
TIME: 7:30 p.m.
DETAILS: Open to the public.

CHURCH EVENTS

• **FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF NORTHVILLE**

LOCATION: 200 E. Main St.
CONTACT: (248) 349-0911
• **Single Place Events**
CONTACT: www.singleplace.org

• **20th Annual Juried Art Show**

DATE: Sept. 30-Oct. 6
• **Thursday Program-Ongoing**
TIME: 7:30, social; 8 p.m. program
DETAILS: The cost is \$5 per person.

DATE: Tonight

DETAILS: Phenecia Banks featuring Phenecia Banks.

DATE: Oct. 12

DETAILS: Perfect Love, Imperfect Relationships, Part III with Robert Scanlan. It is also Card & Games Night.

DATE: Oct. 19

DETAILS: Chat dating with Sadie Bolos.

DATE: Oct. 26

DETAILS: Perfect Love, Imperfect Relationships, Part IV with Robert Scanlan. Also Card & Games Night.

• **Fabulous First Impressions**

TIME/DATE: 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., Saturday, Nov. 11
DETAILS: This workshop will feature Tara Kachaturoff, a Master Certified Relationship Coach for Singles. Learn how to improve the all-important first impression that can make the difference in your personal and professional relationships. The cost of the workshop is \$35 with registration by Nov. 4, \$40 afterwards.

• **Classical Guitarist Concert**

TIME/DATE: 7 p.m., Sunday, Oct. 15

DETAILS: Classical guitarist Paul Vondiziano will perform. A reception will be held afterwards. Tickets are \$15 for adult, \$10 for seniors, and \$5 for students. Tickets are available at the church office, 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Monday-Friday.

• **The Holy Bible and How It Got That Way**

TIME/DATE: 7-8:30 p.m., Mondays, Oct. 16, 23, and Nov. 6, 13

DETAILS: Learn how the Holy Bible came into formation and the reliability of Scriptures. The class will be held in the Chapel.

• **God is Closer Than You Think**

TIME/DATE: 11 a.m., Sundays, Oct. 15-Nov. 19

DETAILS: Explore how to find God where you least expect to find Him. The class will be held in the Emeritus Room.

• **Divorce Recovery Workshop**

TIME/DATES: 7:30-9 p.m., Thursdays, Oct. 19-Dec. 4
DETAILS: This seven week program will feature a variety of speakers and topics to assist those working through the divorce process. The cost of the workshop is \$35, and includes the book, *Growing Through Divorce*.

• **Walking Group**

TIME: 11:30 a.m.
LOCATION: First, second and fourth Saturday, Big Apple Bagel Shop, 2334 Farmington Road, Farmington; Third Saturday, Panera Bread Co., 34635 Grand River Ave., Farmington

DETAILS: This is a walking/social group. Everyone is invited.

• **DETROIT FIRST CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE**

LOCATION: 21260 Haggerty Rd.
CONTACT: (248) 348-7600

• **SUNDAY SCHOOL & CHURCH WORKS CONFERENCE**

TIME/DATE: 8 a.m.-10 p.m., Friday, Oct. 27; 8 a.m.-6:15 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 28

DETAILS: This is the 60th annual church ministries conference that is open to all denominations. Over 50 workshops are

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WHAT'S GOING ON? (CONT'D)

continued from 16A

offered. The cost of the program varies, and registration is required.

CONTACT: (248) 557-5526
 • Ladies Bible Study
 DATE: Tuesdays through Nov. 14

TIME: 9:30 - 11:15 a.m.
 DETAILS: The group will study book of Genesis. There is a \$15 registration fee that includes study materials. Free childcare is available for children 5 and under.
 DATE: Tuesdays through Nov. 14

TIME: 6:45 - 8:15 p.m.
 DETAILS: This will be the study of the patriarchs by Beth Moore. There is a \$20 registration fee that includes materials. There will be no childcare available.

WARD EVANGELICAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
 LOCATION: 40000 Six Mile Road

CONTACT: (248) 374-5966
 • Remarried Workshop
 DATE: Wednesdays, through Dec. 13

TIME: 7-8:15 p.m.
 DETAILS: This free course will include information on blending families, parenting issues, communications and finances. Participants are welcome to attend one or all the classes.

• Single Adults
 DATE: Sunday
 TIME: 11:30 a.m.
 CONTACT: (248) 374-5920
 • College Age
 DATE: Sunday
 TIME: 10:20 a.m.
 CONTACT: Mark Tarpinian, (248) 347-3525

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
 LOCATION: 777 W. Eight Mile Road

CONTACT: (248) 349-1144
 • SUNDAY WORSHIP
 DETAILS: 8, 9:15, 11 a.m., and 5 p.m.
 • Healing Service
 DATE: First Monday of every month

TIME: 4 p.m.
 • Grief Support Group
 DATE: Fourth Monday of every month
 TIME: 7-8:30 p.m.
 DETAILS: New Hope Center for Grief Support is offering this support group to those who have lost a loved one to suicide. Registration is not required.

CONTACT: New Hope Center for Grief Support, (248) 348-0115 or www.newhopecenter.net
 • FLU SHOTS
 DATE: Saturday, Oct. 28
 TIME: 9 a.m.-noon
 DETAILS: The Visiting Nurse Association will offer Flu and Pneumonia shots. The cost is \$24 for the flu shot, and \$40 for the pneumonia. V.N.A. accepts Medicare, Care Choices, some HAP, and cash or check. Pre-register by calling the church office. Be sure to bring all insurance cards.

CONTACT: Diane Siegel-DiVita (248) 344-0928 or trianglesix@sbcglobal.net.

MILL RACE HISTORICAL VILLAGE
 LOCATION: 215 Griswold Avenue, north of Main Street, near Ford Field
 DETAILS: Office Hours Mon-Fri 9 a.m.-1 p.m.; Archives Open Thu-Fri 9 a.m.-1 p.m.
 CONTACT: (248) 348-1845
 • TODAY: 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Archives open; 5 p.m. Rehearsal; 6:30 p.m. Rehearsal
 • FRIDAY: 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Archives open; 9:30 a.m. Girl Scout S.U.M.; 3-5 p.m. *Wedding; 5:30 p.m. Rehearsal; 6 p.m. Rehearsal Party; 6:30 p.m. Rehearsal; 7:45 p.m. Rehearsal
 • SATURDAY: 9-11 a.m. *Wedding; noon-3 p.m. *Wedding; 3:30-5:30 p.m. *Wedding; 6-8 p.m. *Wedding; 8 p.m. Rehearsal
 • SUNDAY: 10 a.m. Mill Creek Church; noon-2 p.m. *Wedding; 1-4 p.m. Village Open; 6 p.m. Venture Scouts
 • MONDAY: 6 p.m. D.A.R.; 6:30 p.m. Cub Scouts
 • TUESDAY: 9 a.m. Stone Gang; 7:30 p.m. Weavers Guild
 • WEDNESDAY: 9 a.m. School Tour; 6:45 p.m. Mindfulness Meditation

SENIOR EVENTS

• THURSDAY, OCT. 12
 9 a.m.: Taking Off Pounds Sensibly
 9 a.m.: Ford House Tour
 9:30 a.m.: Yoga
 11 a.m.: Demetia Series
 11 a.m.: Computer II
 12:30 p.m.: Pinochle
 1 p.m.: Tai Chi
 By appointment: Massage

• FRIDAY, OCT. 13
 10 a.m.: Strength Training
 11 a.m.: Poker
 1 p.m.: Computer II
 1 p.m.: Movie-Click
 • MONDAY, OCT. 16
 10 a.m.: Line Dance
 10 a.m.: Oxygise
 11 a.m.: Oxygise, New Enrollees
 12:30 p.m.: Pinochle/Euchre
 By appointment: Chair Massage

• TUESDAY, OCT. 17
 12:30 p.m.: Pinochle
 11 a.m.: Life Writing
 1 p.m.: Computer I Class
 • WEDNESDAY, OCT. 18
 9 a.m.: Strength Training
 10 a.m.: Oxygise
 11 a.m.: Oxygise New Enrollees
 noon: Bridge
 1 p.m.: Computer I Class

• BOARD GAMES
 DATE: Tuesday, ongoing
 TIME: 1 p.m.
 LOCATION: Senior Community Center, 303 W. Main St.

St.
 CONTACT: (248) 349-4140
 • ONGOING CARD GAMES
 Bridge
 TIME/DAY: noon-3:30 p.m., Wednesday
 Pinochle (double deck)
 TIME/DAY: 12:30-4:30 p.m., Monday and Thursday
 Pinochle (single deck)
 TIME/DAY: 12:30-3:30 p.m., Friday
 Euchre
 TIME/DAY: 12:30 p.m., Monday
 LOCATION: Senior Community Center, 303 W. Main St.

• COED ADULT 50+ VOLLEYBALL
 TIME/DAYS: 10 a.m.-noon, Monday, Wednesday, and Friday
 LOCATION: Recreation Center and Hillside
 DETAILS: All levels of play are welcome. Bring your friends.
 Cost is \$1.00
 CONTACT: Northville Parks and Recreation, (248) 449-9947

• COED ADULT 50+ BASKETBALL
 TIME/DAY: 10 a.m.-noon, Thursdays
 LOCATION: Senior Community Center
 DETAILS: All levels of play are welcome. Bring your friends.
 Cost is \$1.00
 CONTACT: Northville Parks and Recreation, (248) 449-9947

• HEALTH WALKING
 DATE: Monday-Friday
 TIME: 8-10 a.m.
 LOCATION: Senior Community Center gym, 303 W. Main St.

• YOGA CLASS
 DATE: Sept. 11-Nov. 30, Mondays and Thursdays.
 TIME: 5:30-6:45 p.m. and 7-8:30 p.m. on Mondays; 9:30-11 a.m., 5:20-6:45 p.m. and 7-8:30 p.m. on Thursdays
 LOCATION: American Legion Hall; Thursday morning at Northville Senior Center
 DETAILS: No class Nov. 23. Please do not park in Casterline lot. Monday evenings, Yoga II for continuing students. Make-ups allowed in Legion Hall classes through Nov. 30. Fall Session \$88. Unregistered student drop-in rate \$11. Extra classes for registered students \$ 7.50. Scholarships available. Start anytime. No charge for first class.

CONTACT: Tabatha Manuel, (313) 561-4110, ext. 20, or e-mail at tmanuel@ywca-www.org

• MEALS-ON-WHEELS
 DATE: Ongoing
 TIME: 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
 DETAILS: Permanent and substitute drivers are needed.
 CONTACT: Eileen at Allen Terrace, (248) 231-9950, 10 a.m.-1 p.m., Monday through Friday or Judy LaManna, (248) 348-1761

MILL RACE MATTERS

CONTACT: Tom James of Northville Camera at northville-camera@sbcglobal.net, or Northville Arts Commission, (248) 449-9950

• ARTS COMMISSION
 DATE: Second Wednesday of every month
 TIME: 7:30 p.m.
 LOCATION: Art House, 215 W. Cady St.

• BEAUTIFICATION COMMISSION
 DATE: Second Tuesday of every month
 TIME: 7 p.m.
 LOCATION: Northville City Hall, 215 W. Main St., Meeting Room B

• HOUSING COMMISSION
 DATE: Second Wednesday of every month
 TIME: 3 p.m.
 LOCATION: Allen Terrace, 401 High St.

• YOUTH ASSISTANCE
 DATE: Second Tuesday of every month
 TIME: 8 a.m.
 LOCATION: Youth Assistance office, 775 N. Center St.
 CONTACT: (248) 344-1618

• PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION
 DATE: Second Wednesday of every month
 TIME: 7 p.m.
 LOCATION: Senior Community Center, 303 W. Main St.

• NORTHVILLE NEWCOMERS AND NEIGHBORS
 DETAILS: This group is for residents of Northville and surrounding communities. Activities include monthly coffees and special interest groups and various programs. New and potential members are welcome.
 CONTACT: Nancy Murphy, (248) 305-5460

LOOKING FOR YOU

CONTACT: (248) 349-4140



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Warmest wishes!

Northville Brownie Troop No. 89 and Women with a Purpose gather to kick off their gently-used coat collection, scheduled for Oct. 16-20. Collected items will be donated to Northville Civic Concern and metro Detroit charitable groups. Front row, from left: Angie Colovas and son Daniel, 4, Susan Guleff, Melissa Jagest, Tracie Swicki, Judy Rath-off and son Jack, 4. Back row: Colleen Williams, Gabele Duhn, Val Fabiekiewicz, and Sheryl Mychalowych. Drop-off locations include: Winchester Elementary, Our Lady of Victory school and church, Salon Marzejon, Northville Hills Fitness Center, Curves (Five Mile and Sheldon roads) and at 46414 Pinehurst Circle, Northville. For more information, call (248) 924-2089.

• MENTOR VOLUNTEERS
 DETAILS: The Oakland County Youth Assistance is looking for volunteers for their Mentor Plus program. Training and orientation sessions will be held at the Oakland County Courthouse, 1200 N. Telegraph Rd., Pontiac.
 TIME/DATE: 9 a.m., Saturday, Oct. 14; 6 p.m., Tuesday, Oct. 17; 9 a.m., Saturday, Nov. 11; 9 a.m., Saturday, Dec. 9
 CONTACT: (248) 858-0041

• YWCA OF WESTERN WAYNE COUNTY
 DETAILS: The YWCA is looking for volunteers to assist with office help, after-school programs, building projects, communications, and marketing in its various locations throughout western Wayne County. They are also offering internships for college students in communications, media relations, and computer information service. Additional opportunities are available in early childhood education, and education administration.
 CONTACT: Tabatha Manuel, (313) 561-4110, ext. 20, or e-mail at tmanuel@ywca-www.org

• FIRST, SECOND, AND THIRD GRADE INSTRUCTIONAL BASKETBALL
 DATE: Tuesdays, Sept. 26-Nov. 7
 TIME: 1st-2nd Grade, 4:30-5:15 p.m.; 3rd Grade, 5:30-6:15pm
 LOCATION: Northville Senior Community Center
 DETAILS: Kids will get a chance to learn basketball skills, play scrimmage games, have fun without competition! Bring your friends and have a blast! Includes T-Shirt. Fee \$65 for resident, additional fee for non-resident. No class Oct. 31.

• OPEN BASKETBALL
 DATE: Every Sunday
 TIME: 6-9 p.m.
 LOCATION: Senior Community Center, 303 W. Main St.
 DETAILS: The fee is \$3 per person.

• OPEN BASKETBALL, 40 AND OLDER
 DATE: Wednesday, Sept. 20-Oct. 18
 TIME: 8-10 p.m.
 LOCATION: Senior Community Center
 DETAILS: The fee is \$3 per person.

• OPEN BASKETBALL, WOMEN ONLY
 DATE: Tuesday, Sept. 18-Dec. 19
 TIME: 7-9:30 p.m.
 LOCATION: Senior Community Center
 DETAILS: The fee is \$3 per person.

• OPEN VOLLEYBALL
 TIME/DATE: 7-10 p.m., every Thursday; 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Saturdays, Sept.-April
 LOCATION: Recreation Center at Hillside
 DETAILS: There is a fee of \$3

PARKS AND RECREATION ACTIVITIES

LOCATION: 775 N. Center St., back entrance of Hillside Middle School
 CONTACT: For registration and information on camps, classes and activities, (248) 349-0203 or visit www.northvilleparksandrec.org

• FALL YOUTH BASKETBALL
 DATE: Saturday, Nov. 4-Dec. 16
 DETAILS: Registration continues for the girls league, grades fourth through sixth, up to 15 additional girls can be enrolled. Registration for both boys leagues are complete, and new registrants are being placed on a waiting list.
 CONTACT: (248) 349-0203, extension #1405

• ADULT COACHES NEEDED
 DETAILS: Coaches are needed for Northville Parks and Recreation's sixth and seventh grade boys' basketball leagues.
 CONTACT: Dave DeMattois, (248) 349-0203, extension #1405

• TABLE TENNIS
 TIME/DAY: 6-10 p.m., Monday and noon-4 p.m., Saturday
 LOCATION: Hillside Recreation Center, 700 W. Baseline Road
 DETAILS: Eight tables are available. All skill levels are welcome. The cost is \$4 per day.

per person for Thursday, and \$4 per person for Saturday.

• COACH FLOYD'S EXCEL BASKETBALL SKILLS CLINIC
 DATE: Sept. 24-Oct. 29
 TIME: 2-4 p.m.
 LOCATION: Northville Senior Community Center
 DETAILS: This clinic teaches the fundamentals of basketball to youth, grades 4-7. Beginner players learn dribbling, passing, shooting, and other basics of basketball; Intermediate players learn how to play their position more effectively by enhancing skills. We teach all players confidence in their game. Every player deserves attention from our friendly, experienced, patient Excel instructors. Every player walks away knowing the "Science of Basketball." Fee \$100 for resident, additional fee for non-resident.

• OPEN BADMINTON
 DATE: Every Tuesday and Friday
 TIME: 7-9:30 p.m.
 LOCATION: Hillside Recreation Center, 700 W. Baseline Road
 DETAILS: Competitive style badminton is available. All skill levels are welcome. The cost is \$7 per night.

• PHOENIX MILL PUBLIC FORUMS
 DATE: Saturday, Oct. 14
 TIME: 10-11:30 a.m.
 LOCATION: McDowell Center at Schoolcraft College in Livonia, in room 310.
 -OR-
 DATE: Wednesday, Oct. 18
 TIME: 10-11:30 a.m.
 LOCATION: Wayne County Parks Administrative Office at Nankin Mills in Westland, 33175 Ann Arbor Trail.
 DETAILS: Wayne County Parks is inviting the public to provide input on the best possible use of the Phoenix Mill site located in Plymouth Township. The former Ford facility has local and national historical significance that could be preserved in a number of ways.
 CONTACT: Wayne County Parks, (734) 261-4312 or (734) 261-1990

• DETROIT PUBLIC TELEVISION OKTOBERFEST
 DATE: Saturday, Oct. 14
 TIME: 2-7 p.m.
 LOCATION: Riley Broadcast Center, 1 Clover Court, Wixom, at Grand River Avenue and Napier Road.
 DETAILS: This is a benefit for Detroit public television featuring German entertainment, food, games, and activities for all ages. Admission is free. Parking is \$5.

• WESTERN WAYNE COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY MEETING
 DATE: Monday, Oct. 16
 TIME: 6:30 p.m.
 LOCATION: Livonia Senior Center, 15218 Farmington Road
 DETAILS: The meeting will feature a tour of the Livonia Public Library, or a genealogy video for those not interested in the tour. Al Smitley will present "The Ditch that Built Northville: The Erie Canal." The meeting is free and open to the public.
 CONTACT: Margie, (734) 522-4050, or go to www.rootsweb.com/~miwccgs/

• CRAFTERS NEEDED
 DATE: Saturday, Oct. 14
 LOCATION: Cedar Crest Lutheran Church, 485 Farnsworth, White Lake
 CONTACT: Susan Work, (248) 360-7502, or e-mail to susan-work@sbcglobal.net

• RUMMAGE AND BAKE SALE
 DATE: Saturday, Oct. 14
 TIME: 8 a.m.-2 p.m.
 LOCATION: Catholic Central High School, 27225 Wixom Road, Wixom
 DETAILS: There will be a \$1 bag sale at 1 p.m.

• CLASS REUNION
 DATE: Saturday, Oct. 14
 LOCATION: Holiday Inn-Livonia West
 DETAILS: Reunion for the Farmington High School class of 1976.
 CONTACT: (734) 261-3264, or e-mail celebrationstoremember@yahoo.com

• CLASS REUNION
 DATE: Saturday, Oct. 14
 TIME: 5 p.m.
 LOCATION: Polish Legion of American Veterans, Dearborn Heights Post 16, 25222 Warren, Dearborn Heights
 DETAILS: This event is for the St. Hedwig Class of 1956 and 1957.
 CONTACT: Rose Marie Kucharski, (734) 420-2163

• FRIENDS OF THE ROUGE FALL BUG HUNT
 DATE: Saturday, Oct. 14
 TIME: 9 a.m.-3 p.m.
 LOCATION: Schoolcraft College's VistaTech Center
 DETAILS: Volunteers are needed to help with obtaining samples of the small forms of aquatic life found in the streambed of the Rouge River. No prior experience is necessary. Children are welcome if accompanied by an adult, and groups are limited to six. Pre-registration is necessary.
 CONTACT: (313) 792-9621

• PRE-HOLIDAY CRAFT AND BAKE SALE
 DATE: Saturday, Oct. 14
 TIME: 10 a.m.-4 p.m.
 LOCATION: Cedar Crest Lutheran Church, 485 Farnsworth, White Lake
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR (CONT'D)

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Stabe-no!

While the nasty and contentious governors race is taking up most of the media's attention, Debbie Stabenow is flying under the public's radar. It is absolutely astounding that polls show her with a double digit lead over Mike Bouchard. It's obvious that most voters have not been paying attention to the political landscape.

Harking back to the fall of 2000, after her narrow (49-48 percent) win over Sen. Spencer Abraham, she announced that she would serve as a moderate Democrat. That turned out to be a lie as her record proves she is anything but. As proof, her radical left wing record includes:

- Voting to allow illegal immigrants to collect social security.
- Voting against fences on our southern border.
- Voting against the bill to make english the official language.
- Voting no on supreme court justices Roberts and Alito.
- Blocking meaningful education reforms.
- Blocking confirmation of judicial nominees.
- Supporting cruel late term partial-birth abortions.
- Allowing millions of illegal aliens to enter our country.
- Opposing the President's war on terrorism.
- Doing nothing meaningful to stop Canadian trash.
- Voting no to tax cuts.
- Is it any wonder that the National Taxpayers' Union ranks her as Michigan's most liberal Democrat? In the Senate, she's known as "Stabe-No!" She has taken on the personnas of Tom Daschle and Harry Reid, the two most uncivil obstructionists ever to serve in the senate.
- Her most noted accomplishment, after six years, was getting a federal building re-named. While her political ads piously announce she's for tax cuts and bi-partisanship, her actions belie those claims. The only newsworthiness about her ads is that they are not as negative as they were six years ago.
- Stabenow's refusal to debate

Bouchard is a dis-service to Michigan voters who deserve more than 30 seconds of rhetoric TV ads. Voters deserve an explanation on her six-year record of doing nothing for the state. We can't afford to have a disengaged senator for another six years. It's time for a change.

Ned Hart
Northville

Evolution Facts

This is in response to the letter printed in the Oct. 5 edition of the Northville Record, entitled "Creationism and Evolution: Facts and Theories." If anything the writer said was true, I can see why he'd be upset. The problem is that nothing that he said about evolutionary science is even close to being true. Such as:

- "Evolution started with the ruminations of a bigoted naturalist named Darwin."—"He came to that theory to justify his conviction that the Caucasian race was superior to races of color."—"To teach his theory...is blatantly racist."
- First of all, "evolution" didn't start with Darwin. Others, primarily Alfred Russel Wallace, (not knowing Darwin or Darwin's views at the time) independently arrived at the same conclusions. Darwin just published his ideas first.
- Secondly, Darwin was a bigot? When he was in divinity school (yes, Darwin was a divinity student and a Christian—and he's buried in a church), Darwin fostered his interest in natural science, studying, among other things, snails and other smaller creatures. When he got the opportunity to sign aboard a British ship, the HMS Beagle, as the ship's naturalist, he took it. The ship was bound for South America and eventually, the Galapagos Islands in the Pacific Ocean.
- It was in the Galapagos, noticing the variance of finches and turtles from island to island, he started thinking about why these differences occurred. It was here that his evolutionary ideas were formed—it had absolutely nothing

to do with human beings or human racial differences. When you read The Origin of Species (his book) you probably noticed that human beings weren't even mentioned there. (You did read his book, didn't you?). If he was a bigot (which he was not), not mentioning anything about human races in his premier publication was a funny way of showing it.

"You insult thinking people... (when) you have no facts to prove your point."—"... but neither has anyone scientifically proven the theory of evolution."

There are literally tons of "facts" that prove that evolution has occurred throughout the Earth's history (and is occurring today). If you choose, go to the nearest library, or log on to the Internet (begin with: www.pbs.org/wgbh/evolution/library/index.html and click on "frequently asked questions") and start educating yourself. It'll take you years to get through all the pertinent information.

Although those who know little about the subject may deny it on religious grounds, evolution is a factual study of the development of life on our planet. Whether you choose to believe it or not, evolution is how it happened. We not only know that it has happened, we know how it has happened.

I agree with the writer that "Public schools should teach facts as facts and theory as theory." That's why evolution should be taught in science classes and items of religious faith should not.

John C. Colling
Northville

Teacher lessons

As a Northville taxpayer, I am all for getting top value for public funds, per your Oct. 5 editorial. But your suggestion that Northville teachers would picket if administrators proposed an end to step raises is unfounded; even irresponsible. In my experience (my wife is a Northville

teacher), these teachers are dedicated professionals who put students first. You do them a dis-service by suggesting otherwise.

Keith Langham
Northville

Thank you!

The Northville District Library's 10th Birthday Celebration on Sunday Oct. 8 was great fun, with food, entertainment, and prizes! Tributes from U.S. Congressman Thaddeus McCotter, State Sen. Nancy Cassis, and State Rep. John Stewart acknowledged the many strides in serving the community made by this library since opening its doors a decade ago.

The Library wishes to thank the many businesses and organizations that helped to make this milestone event so successful! The catering by Epoch Events was delicious, and Bedazzling Balloons added to the festive

atmosphere. Beautiful flower arrangements, donated by IV Seasons Florists, brightened the décor. Two Northville High School choirs, the Treblemakers and Backbeat, serenaded the crowd.

The following local businesses contributed prizes for the guests: Schokolad, Rebecca's on Center St., Guernsey Farms Dairy, Helen's Uptown Café, Marquis Theater, Pear-aphernalia, Poole's Tavern, the Stamp Peddler, and IV Seasons Florists. The Library appreciates their generous contributions.

The Friends of the Northville District Library helped to cover the costs as well as providing volunteer assistance at the event and in the planning stages. Many Teen Corps volunteers helped also.

Wendy Gutowski, a former Trustee, spoke about the clerestory artwork, enlightening the attendees as to the meaning behind the "Skydance at the Western Gate", which was a gift to the new building by the Friends and various individual donors.

The library has benefited from many hours of volunteer assistance over the years, ranging from Library Trustees to members of the Friends, Teen Corps, and various committees. The staff have worked hard to make the library a centerpiece for the community and a place that lives up to its slogan: "Connecting you to Information, Ideas and Imagination".

Anne Mannisto
Assistant Director,
Northville District Library

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Would 'Highwood' sell?

Development proposal hinges on market, economy

By Renee Saunders
RECORD STAFF WRITER

Northville Township resident Lora Wright wondered how anyone can build in Michigan's current economy.

"I know they're trying to develop this property, but I can't believe they can build anything in this market," she said.

She questioned the viability of "Highwood," an expansive residential-commercial retail development proposed by Schostak Brothers and REI Group for the 415-acre site of the former Northville Psychiatric Hospital. The parcel is anchored at the southwest corner of Haggerty and Seven Mile Roads.

Builder Cohen Homes was selected by Schostak/REI to design the proposed 1,100 residential units, which range from condos to estate-sized homes.

During a recent planning commission meeting, Cohen said home prices would start at \$475,000, up.

Jim Babcock, president of the Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan said the market has slowed, but Northville has always been a strong area for new home sales.

He said now is a good time to be

First meeting

The Northville Planning Commission will hold its first official meeting regarding the Highwood proposal Thursday, Oct. 24 at Township hall.

a buyer because construction crews in this economy are more experienced.

"The construction industry has slowed down, so they have smaller crews of more experienced people who have been there longer," he said. "It's better quality workmanship and in this economy, the pricing should be favorable for a buyer too."

Chris Courtney, real estate broker at Remerica Hometown in Novi said lagging home sales is a big misconception.

"Some people are making it sound like it's horrible," he said. "But there's never been a better time to buy real estate in Michigan ... interest rates are extremely low."

Courtney said low interest rates are also attracting investors from out of state to invest in commercial real estate.

"They're looking all over the tri-county area," he said.

"There's never been a better time to buy real estate in Michigan ..."

Chris Courtney
Broker, Remerica Hometown

The planning commission's first public hearing on the Highwood proposal is Thursday, Oct. 24, the first official hearing on the project.

Linda Busse, Highwood spokeswoman for Schostak/REI didn't return phone calls inquiring about an estimated project time frame.

But township manager Chip Snider estimated it would take the developer about two years just to clean up the contaminated site and make it suitable for building.

Snider said he did not know how long it would take to build the entire development.

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ALLEGATION: State police begin trustee probe

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whole truth and I have documentation to back it up," Werner said. "Since it's getting to be a matter of public record, I'll tell the truth and let the truth defend me."

"I have the deal, and I have his signature agreeing to it."

The conflict

According to Sackllah, during the past year his company, Devonshire Construction, obtained easement rights from several Seven Mile Road property owners, including Werner, in order to lay a water line to the \$3 million, nine-store convenience plaza under construction on the southeast corner of Napier and Seven Mile roads. No money changed hands.

According to Sackllah, he and Werner signed an agreement in January stipulating terms of Sackllah's \$465,000 purchase of Werner's 2,000-square-foot home, located on one acre. That deal, he said, was contingent upon the township planning commission's approval to re-zone the property from residential to commercial within 180 days.

When that window passed, Sackllah said, an agreement addendum stipulated he would instead pay \$35,000 for an easement across Werner's 90-foot front yard, or provide access for Werner's lot —

should it be re-zoned — from his corner lot.

"He said, 'I think I have at least four people (planning commissioners) who are going to go for this,'" Sackllah said. "Personally, I didn't care, I didn't want the property right now."

"If I didn't have the easements, I couldn't go any further."

Werner said he did informally discuss Sackllah's preliminary plans to develop his home site — as a favor to Sackllah, not to pressure him.

Sackllah, who purchased the plaza site in June 2005, said he didn't want to wait a year for an eminent domain process, which would have likely given him legal standing for a lower easement price.

He said insinuations made by Werner regarding required township approvals made him feel as though Werner was exerting undue political pressure on a private business deal.

"I'm thinking this is a pretty powerful guy in the township," Sackllah said. "Either I pay him his money and agree to his terms, or I'm going to have a lot of grief."

"If it were a simple neighbor, not a township trustee, would I have gone for eminent domain? Absolutely."

Toward resolution

Werner, also a real estate broker, did not apologize for trying to profit

from Sackllah's need for easement property. He said Sackllah's claims are erroneous, and denied any wrongdoing.

"I personally do not know where he's getting his emotions from regarding this," Werner said. "What's happening right now is he's balking at the price. I think he has bit off more than he can chew."

"All he had to do was talk to me."

Werner declined comment about whether he would pursue legal action against Sackllah.

"What I'm up against right now is a lie detector test — the state police — they're the lie detectors," he said. "I'm awaiting their call, no problem."

"I understand why this particular process went into play."

Following Sackllah's complaint to Snider's office last Thursday, the manager and Township Supervisor Mark Abbo met with Werner Monday morning to discuss the matter. Snider then set up the meeting with the state police.

"Northville Township has a long-standing tradition of demanding the highest possible standards of professional conduct from its elected body," Abbo said. "To that end, any allegations of misconduct directed at a board member are aggressively investigated."

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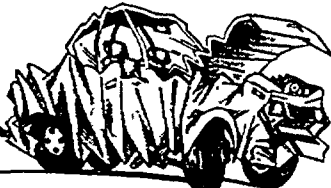
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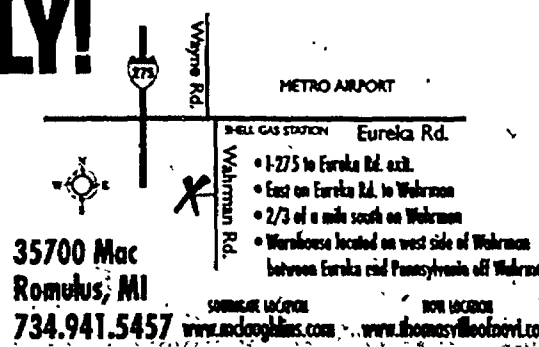
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Locals: Township roads need work

By Renee Saunders
RECORD STAFF WRITER

Trucks traveling at speeds in excess of 25 mph are a regular sight on the country road Cindy Roselle and her family has lived on for more than a decade.

Along with truck traffic, there is no speed limit sign posted on her street, so Roselle said cars and trucks travel the road excessively.

She said her family spent \$100,000 to pave a private road to the back of her house to help protect their two children from oncoming Napier traffic.

"I have a 5-year-old who still acts on the impulses of a child if a ball bounces in the road," Roselle who lives Napier Road, just south of Seven Mile Road, said.

Roselle is not alone. Several Northville Township residents are concerned about growing traffic congestion and high speed traffic.

Resident Ron Buckowski, who lives in the Blue Heron Pointe subdivision off of Beck between Five and Six Mile roads, said traffic congestion at Beck and Six Mile roads are his greatest concern.

"The bottom line is, we're getting populated too quickly, especially on Beck Road," he said.

His friend, Gary Betcher said trying to make a left turn from Five Mile Road on to Northville Road is a problem.

Township Manager Chip Snider who worked as a traffic investigator as a police officer and worked as

a police chief of four different agencies in three different counties, has a beef with Northville Township roads, too.

"The entire Haggerty Road corridor is in danger of being over capacity; our mile roads are probably going to follow shortly," he said. "I think Northville road those intersection are in extreme need of improvement."

Snider said the township doesn't control signage, speed limits or overall roadway designs, so the municipality has very little control over how the thoroughfares are maintained. He said the township can make recommendations to the county regarding road structure, but those recommendations don't have to be adhered to.

For example, Snider said Wayne County has slated 2008 as a year to widen Six Mile to five lanes from Haggerty to Northville Road to ease traffic congestion.

He said the road was built to accommodate 14,000 cars a day. Snider said the road currently carries 24,000 cars right now and with local highway closures, Snider estimated 30,000 cars are traveling on it.

But Snider said township officials are opposed to the road widening, for safety reasons, because the fat end of Six Mile would stop at the train trestle at Northville Road and would pinch back down to two lanes.

Snider said widening the trestle would cost more



Photo by JOHN HEIDER/Northville Record

Traffic crosses the intersection of Six Mile and Sheldon roads early Friday morning.

than the entire paving project. Instead, township officials would like a three-lane road with a boulevard and curb cuts.

"If you build it, they will come," Snider said. "If we build five lanes, people will find it attractive and will use the roadway ... a nice three-lane road with

shrubbery as a gateway road would be more attractive."

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Count on it

Local traffic counts according to the Southeast Michigan Council of Governments. For more information, visit www.semco.org.

North-South

Napier Road:

- From Five Mile Road to Six Mile Road going both ways in 2001, traffic counts were 4,954. In 2004 traffic counts were 5,155.
- From Six Mile Road to Seven Mile Road going both ways in 2001, traffic counts were 1,058. In 2004 traffic counts were 4,913.
- From Seven Mile Road to Baseline Road going both ways in 2001, traffic counts were 1,209. In 2003 traffic counts were 1,337.

Haggerty Road:

- From Five Mile Road to Six Mile Road heading northbound in 2001 counts were 11,470. In 2003 counts were 18,685.

- From Six Mile Road to Seven Mile Road heading northbound in 2001 counts were 13,678. In 2003 counts were 13,827.

East-West

Five Mile Road:

- From Napier to Ridge Road going both ways in 2000, traffic counts were 6,896. In 2005 traffic counts were 7,300.
- From Ridge Road to Beck Road going both ways in 2000, traffic counts were 8,849. In 2005 traffic counts were 10,312.
- From Beck Road to Sheldon Road going both ways in 2000, traffic counts were 12,215. In 2005 traffic counts were 13,784.
- From Sheldon Road to Northville Road going both ways in 2000, traffic counts were 7,262. In 2005 traffic counts were 10,275.
- From Bradner Road to Haggerty, going both ways in 2000, traffic counts were 10,204. In 2005 traffic counts were 12,023.

Six Mile Road:

- From Napier Road to Ridge Road going both ways in 2000, traffic counts were 1,145. In 2003 traffic counts were 5,065.
- From Ridge Road to Beck Road going both ways in 2000, traffic counts were 1,560. In 2003 traffic counts were 4,569.
- From Beck Road to Sheldon Road going both ways in 2000, traffic counts were 7,640.

- In 2003 traffic counts were 12,617.
- From Sheldon Road to Northville Road going both ways in 2000, traffic counts were 13,312. In 2003 counts were 14,268.
- From Northville Road to Bradner Road going both ways in 2000 traffic counts were 22,083. In 2003 counts were 23,368.
- From Bradner Road to Haggerty Road going both ways in 2000 traffic counts were 7,640. In 2003 counts were 12,617.

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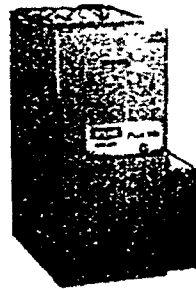
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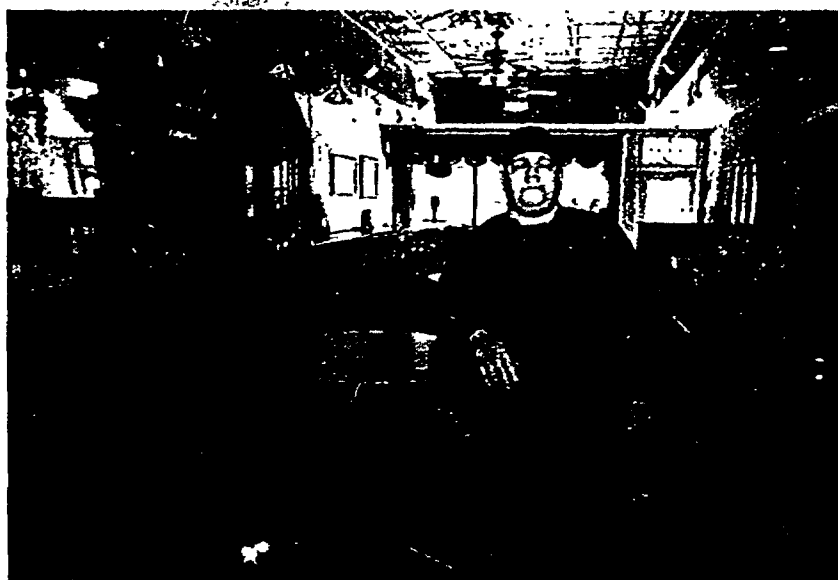
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Bistro 127



People have been driving into South Lyon from all directions as local secret--Bistro 127 -- is becoming more well-known. It's a place for a fun lunch with friends, a wine dinner, or just an evening of music and laughs. The five-year-old restaurant is filled with surprises, said owners Don Waldenmayer and Mark Koffey.

The most notable part of Bistro 127 is the food. The menu, which includes steaks, seafood and pasta, changes with the seasons. When Waldenmayer opened the restaurant five years ago, he wanted it to reflect his goals as a certified executive chef.

"We want to be unpretentious and fairly priced," said Waldenmayer. "We use the best ingredients available to create homemade food that is fresh, wholesome -- healthy food for life."

Wine tasting

Bistro 127 is the place for wine connoisseurs, with over 85 varieties stocked in the wine cellar. On Wednesdays evenings a large crowd comes in to Bistro 127 for a wine tasting event. A vineyard owner flies in to teach the group about his wines. Appetizers and a number of wines from that vineyard are served. Wine dinners are also held once a month, with a five course meal. The next one is coming up Nov. 1.

"It's a chance to meet other people in the community who share a lot in common," said wine steward Suzanne LaLonde. "It's a social event as well as something educational."

Those at the events can buy wine at a lower wholesale price, then take it home or ask the Bistro to store the wine and serve it when they come back for dinner. The program has grown in popularity because it is an affordable way to enjoy fine wine with dinner. For more information contact LaLonde at (248) 613-6845.

New restaurant

This fall a second restaurant called La Famiglia will compliment Bistro 127. Waldenmayer and Koffey are renovating the area across from the Bistro in order to open a fun family Italian restaurant. Plenty of the quaint charm of a historic blacksmith shop has been preserved during the renovations. The notable restaurant space will mirror the unique Italian meals, that are served with Waldenmayer's signature flair.

Theater

An evening at Bistro 127 or La Famiglia is all the more special when combined with music or theater. A variety of cinema and music play at The South Lyon Theater, which is right across the street from the Bistro, next to La Famiglia. Restaurant owners have beautifully restored the theater, and have recently introduced a new sound system.

This fall specially priced shows are coming to the theater for only \$10 per person. The 9 p.m. shows are the perfect ending to a nice dinner, with a \$5 off meal voucher included.

This Friday artists like Barry Manilow, Buddy Holly and Cher will be celebrated with a Tribute Concert show. On Saturday a cappella singers elmoTHUMM will perform oldies and doo wop. On Oct. 21 Dave King & Motion will open a costume contest at a Halloween show, "The Monster Mash." A seven-piece R&B band called Soul Provider will sing the sounds of the night on Oct. 28.

Other concerts are held right at the Bistro throughout November including jazz, oldies and country music. Visit www.southlyontheater.com for more information.

Bistro 127 is located at 127 E. Lake Street (Ten Mile Road) near Pontiac Trail in downtown South Lyon. Hours are Monday through Thursday, noon to 10 p.m., Friday and Saturday noon to midnight and Sunday 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Catering is also available. Call (248) 437-9000 or go to www.bistro127.com.

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ONE FOR THE BOOKS

Northville District Library celebrates 10-year anniversary

Thank you!

The Northville District Library's 10th Birthday Celebration on Sunday Oct. 8 was great fun, with food, entertainment, and prizes! Tributes from U.S. Congressman Thaddeus McCotter, State Sen. Nancy Cassis, and State Rep. John Stewart acknowledged the many strides in serving the community made by this library since opening its doors a decade ago.

The Library wishes to thank the many businesses and organizations that helped to make this milestone event so successful! The catering by Epoch Events was delicious, and Bedazzling Balloons added to the festive atmosphere. Beautiful flower arrangements, donated by IV Seasons Florists, brightened the décor. Two Northville High School choirs, the Treblemakers and Backbeat, serenaded the crowd.

Northville District Library
Location: 212 W. Cady St., one block south of Main Street; two blocks west of Center Street.
Phone: (248) 349-3020

The following local businesses contributed prizes for the guests: Schokolad, Rebecca's on Center St., Guernsey Farms Dairy, Helen's Uptown Café, Marquis Theater, Pearlaphernalia, Poole's Tavern, the Stamp Peddler, and IV Seasons Florists. The Library appreciates their generous contributions.

The Friends of the Northville District Library helped to cover the costs as well as providing volunteer assistance at the event and in the planning stages. Many Teen Corps volunteers helped also.

Wendy Gutowski, a former Trustee, spoke about the clerestory artwork, enlightening the attendees as to the meaning behind the "Skydance at the Western Gate", which was a gift to the new building by the Friends and various individual donors.

The library has benefited from many hours of volunteer assistance over the years, ranging from Library Trustees to members of the Friends, Teen Corps, and various committees. The staff have worked hard to make the library a centerpiece for the community and a place that lives up to its slogan: "Connecting you to Information, Ideas and Imagination".

Anne Mannisto
Assistant Director, Northville District Library

Photos courtesy of the Northville District Library



WHAT'S GOING ON? (CONT'D)

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• **GRIEF SUPPORT WORKSHOP**
 DATE: Mondays, Oct. 9-Nov. 27
 TIME: 7-8:45 p.m.
 LOCATION: Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church, 47650 N. Territorial Road, Plymouth
 DETAILS: Cathy Clough, Director of the New Center for Grief Support, will present this workshop for those dealing with grief and loss. The sessions are open to the community, and are free.
 CONTACT: (734) 459-0326, ext. 221

• **ANGELA HOSPICE "LIGHT UP A LIFE" BENEFIT**
 DATE: Saturday, Oct. 21
 TIME: 6 p.m.
 LOCATION: Rock Financial Showplace, Novi
 DETAILS: This is the 19th annual fundraiser that will feature "The Fabulous Fifties" theme. Tickets are \$100 per person.
 CONTACT: Alice Barringer, (734) 953-6018, or go to www.angelahospice.org

• **SECOND ANNUAL HOLIDAY FAIR & TRADE CRAFT SALE**
 DATE: Saturday, Oct. 28
 TIME: 10 a.m.-6 p.m.
 LOCATION: Our Lady of Good Counsel Church, 47650 North Territorial Road, Plymouth
 DETAILS: This fund-raiser will offer unique products and gifts from Third World countries.
 CONTACT: Mary Dahlke, (734) 455-6474, or e-mail mdahlke@comcast.net

• **ANGELA HOSPICE GROUPS**
 DETAILS: Grief support groups include general grief, loss of a spouse, women's grief, heartstrings: parents who have lost a child and a grief support quilter's group. All groups are led by bereavement professionals and trained volunteers.
 LOCATION: Angela Hospice Care Center, 14100 Newburgh Road, Livonia
 CONTACT: Joan Lee, (734) 953-6012

• **MASTER GARDENER ASSOCIATION**
 DAY: Second Thursday of every month
 TIME: 7 p.m.
 DETAILS: Meet at the Environmental Interpretive Center at the northwest corner of the University of Michigan-Dearborn campus, 4901 Evergreen Road, between Ford Road and Michigan Avenue.

• **PARK PASS**
 DETAILS: Metroparks and Oakland County Parks are offering a dual park pass. The annual cost is \$43 and can be purchased at any park office.
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• **CRAFT SHOW**
 DETAILS: South Lyon United Methodist Church on Pontiac Trail, is looking for participants for this Nov. 4 event. The cost is \$35 per booth.
 CONTACT: Barb, (248) 437-0385 or Carol, (248) 437-2112.



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Read between the lines!

Tanner Rindfuss, 2, checks out a "Maisy Goes Camping" book while visiting the Northville District Library.

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As state representative, Marc Corniveau will fight to ensure that we have quality public schools. Marc is endorsed and supported by many parents, grandparents, and retired and current school employees, including the Michigan Education Association and The Michigan Federation of Teachers.

Marc Corniveau is the best choice for state representative in the 20th House District—the Northvilles, the Plymouths, Canton, and the City of Wayne. Our children can count on Marc Corniveau.

Martha A. Trafford
Canton

On Sept. 30 Northville Township hosted an Open House at the historic barn that has been restored at Thayer Corners. The barn is a wonderful example of what can be done with government and community cooperation. Trustee, Marv Gans was at the helm of the barn move and restoration. He was able to get many, many donations from the community in both time, materials and money. Local Barnwright, Ken Brock came to the fore and engineered both the move and the restoration. (He is the same one who engineered the move for the Maybury Farm barns.)

It was almost a year to the day from the move to the completion of the barn. The barn now features a full foundation bordered by field stone, stout wooden beams hewn from dead ash trees, a new roof, a solid wooden floor and a sparkling paint job. It is a pleasure to witness what can be done with old buildings. The barn is truly a sight to behold.

Quoting Debbie Brown who lives nearby the barn, "Had he (Marv Gans) not spoken up this and then stuck up for it, we wouldn't have this barn now."

Jean Bemish
Northville

Vote Slavens!

I attended the debate held on October 4th between Mark Slavens and Bruce Patterson for the senate seat from our district. Mr. Patterson seemed to control most of the vociferous behavior reported in the Sept. 29 MIRS Lansing newsletter, at least until his constant, loud, aggressive interrupting of Mr. Slavens' closing statement. (Webster's dictionary defines "vociferous" as: boisterous, strident, deafening shouting, offensive, bellowing, etc.)

But he did manage to calmly avoid answering the question of his position on stem-cell research by stating he had to "look into it." Where has he been these last few years on this issue? Not important enough?

We are fortunate to have a candidate for state senator, Mark Slavens, who is willing to give his positions on important issues and not embarrass us by boorish behavior. Let us be sure to vote for Mark Slavens on November 7th.

D. Gloria Piccone
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Mustang golfers rip through districts

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HIGH EXPECTATIONS

Mustang senior golfers aim to qualify for state as a team



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Mustang golfers, from left, Phil Snow, Chase Dehne, and Richard Allen are getting ready for some post-season action on the links.

By Jeff Theisen
RECORD STAFF WRITER

Regionals:

Where: Oak Point GC
When: 9 a.m. today

Northville golf head coach Matt Stetson knew his team was going to be good heading into the season.

The Mustangs have proved their coach more than right with an 11-0 record and a district championship heading into regional play today at Oak Pointe

Golf Course.

"I'm pleasantly surprised," Stetson said. "I thought that if we played up to our abilities we could be in this situation. Last

year, we weren't playing up to our ability. For us to be here, we are fortunate but also we put ourselves in this position.

"Winning is a lot more fun than losing. The kids are really seeing their hard work pay off."

Senior Phil Snow, along with senior captains Chase Dehne and Richard Allen have been a huge reason why the Mustangs hold the No. 2 ranking in the state.

"It means a lot to have success as a senior," Snow said. "We're just having a good time."

Dehne said being a captain his senior year fulfilled one of his goals. He explains what his expectations are as captain.

"Be a good role model as far as how we play and our attitude on the course," Dehne said. "To be picked captain was definitely a big thing."

Allen said the team started to realize how good they could be when they started the season without Snow because he was out of the state.

"We played our first three tournaments without Phil," Allen said. "It was really a confidence builder that we could win tournaments without our No. 1 (player). This is probably the best season

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'Stangs routed

■ Canton races out to 42-0 lead after first, wins 70-14

By Jeff Theisen
RECORD STAFF WRITER

Northville head coach Ryan Hockman said he hoped his team could hang around with Canton. The Chiefs made sure that didn't happen.

Canton (7-0) scored 42 first-quarter points in a 70-14 rout of the Mustangs (1-6) on Friday.

"Offensively they're very good. We sold out to stop a few things and that opened up some other things for them," Hockman said. "It was very easy for them."

The Canton offense came out on fire and seemed to score at will in the first quarter, while the Mustang offense had turnover problems.

Canton took two plays to convert the first turnover into a touchdown.

The real flurry started late in the first quarter. Canton put up an unbelievable 35 points in a span of less than three minutes.

The Mustangs trailed 59-0 heading into the fourth quarter. Northville running back

Dittrick Williams scored a pair of touchdowns to end the shutout, including a 68-yard scamper for a score.

Williams sits just 10 yards shy of a 1,000 for the year after running for 195 yards on 24 carries against Canton.

The Chiefs ran for 439 yards on 47 carries. They also completed three passes, all for touchdowns.

Hockman said one problem with his team is trying to get them to forget about mistakes.

"They might be worrying about what is going wrong instead of what might happen," he said. "We're losing some confidence and that's a big part of it. We think we have to execute perfectly or we're not going to win."

"You've got to work. You've got to do something early on positive. Then you have that one positive and it builds and builds and builds. Then you're in the ballgame."

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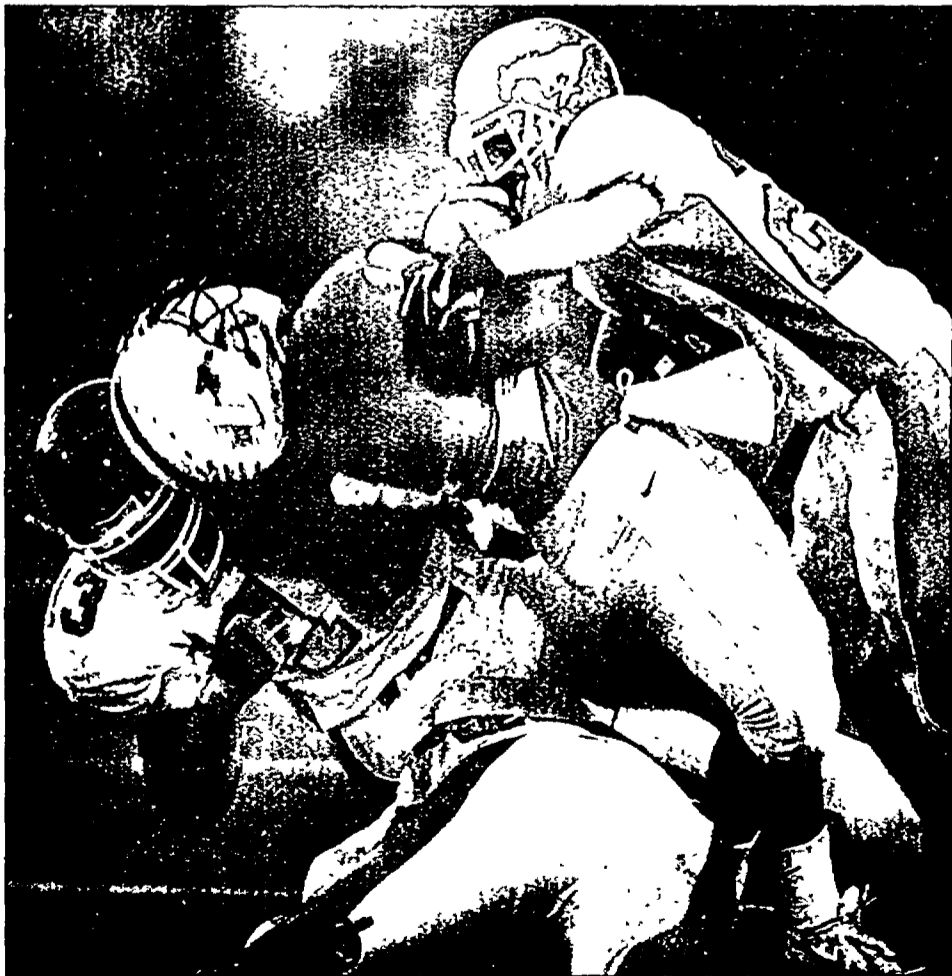


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Mustangs Andrew Gorley, left, and Kris Baumgardner stop a Canton runner.

Mustangs ready to battle Salem

■ Struggling teams will look to add to win column

By Jeff Theisen
RECORD STAFF WRITER

What Northville and Salem lack in wins they will make up for in confidence when they do battle Friday night.

Despite a 1-6 record for the Mustangs, and an 0-7 record for Salem, both teams will see this as a winnable game.

"We're going to have confidence, but so are they," Hockman said. "They're fighting for their first program win under a new coach."

"He's going to pull out all the stops. They play Canton the following week. He's think that if he's got an opportunity to win, this is obviously it. We're going to see everything that they have."

Salem plays an unusually style of defense, a 4-4-3. The Rocks have struggled on defense this year, allowing 39 points a contest.

Northville has also struggled mightily. Since a 17-10 win in week 2 against Churchill, the Mustangs have allowed at least 34 points in each game, capped off by 70 last week by Canton.

"We didn't spend very long watching the Canton tape," Hockman said. "We just wanted to get past it and move on and start thinking about Salem."

Trying to get a winning record is tough with a young team, but trying to do it in the Western Lakes Conference is even harder.

"We're a good football team. If you put us in a lot of other leagues, we're a .500 or better ballclub," Hockman said.

Finishing out the season strong is very important for Hockman.

"We're a young football team, so to finish up our league play with a victory, going into a rivalry game against Novi, we want to end up on a good note," Hockman said. "It gives you that little extra boost, confidence and energy to push yourself in the offseason."

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Who: Salem (0-7)
When: Friday
Where: Home

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If you are reading this, I'm betting you have some sort of interest in sports. What can I say, I have a sense for the obvious.

But after attending Saturday's 8-3 whipping of the Yankees, I'm enjoying every minute of the sports mania that is the end of the fall season.

It doesn't matter what sport you are into, it's out there.

High school sports are coming down to the end. Boys golf is already through districts and getting ready to start regionals. Football is at the point where every team starts to figure out if they have a chance to make the playoffs or not.

Swimming is in full stride, along with girls basketball.

Cross country is running to the end, and soccer is ready to begin post-season play.

Playoff time is the ultimate for high school sports. Most kids won't play sports beyond high school. Especially for seniors,

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COLTS ROUNDUP

Varsity Colts Lose offensive battle, 33-22

The Varsity Colts came out like gangbusters against the Walled Lake Braves this past Saturday, but came up on the short end of a 33-22 decision.

Connor Pollifrone opened the game by returning the kick off to the Braves 20-yard line. Colts quarterback Brett Gardner connected on a pass to Jonathon Alandi for a touchdown just 18 seconds in. Victor Bodrie kicked the PAT making the score 8-0 for the Colts.

The defensive unit led by Christian Gjonaj, Jonathan Montgomery, Thomas Afetian, and Mike Wegzyn laid the wood with some big hits, stopping the Braves opening drive when Dawson Laabs came up with the ball on a fumble recovery on their own 15-yard line.

The next series of downs ended with a pass to Ryan Owen who went 60 yards for a Colts touchdown.

Brad Stegmeyer made a huge hit on a Braves defensive player as Bodrie popped another kick over the crossbar to make the score 16-0 Colts. The second quarter was marked by an impressive defensive hit by Michael Walukas and an acrobatic pass reception by Jeffrey Hewlett. After the half, the Colts suffered a disappointing penalty that resulted in a touchdown being called back.

The tough defensive team of Greg Putman, Ben Smith, Sergey Dawson, Trevor Mares, and Alex Fisher stepped up the level of play and pulverized the Braves, forcing a fumble, which was recovered by the quick reactions of Yianni Koumariotis on the Colts 2-yard line. Despite another great kick off return by Pollifrone and solid efforts by Max Williams, Josh DuFresne, Brendon Hannah, Connor Smith and Jonathan Skelton, the Colts lead slipped away in the fourth quarter. The Colts fought right to the end by scoring a touchdown on the final play of the game on a hand off from quarterback Ryan Owen to Ryan Bailey. Unfortunately for the Colts, it wasn't enough for the victory.

JV Colts drop tight battle with Braves

The JV Northville Colts lost a heartbreaker in overtime on Saturday 27-25 to a very physical Walled Lake Braves team. The Colts speed and discipline countered the Braves size leaving the score deadlocked 19-19 at the end of regulation.

Robbie Parks opened the game with an electrifying 83-yard kick-off return. Following a completed pass to Sam Tacconelli, quarterback Thomas Huber galloped over the Braves defense into the end zone. The Colts did not convert the extra point leaving the score 6-0 with 9:30 left in the first quarter.

The Colt defense held the Braves on the ensuing drive with Rini Jusufi breaking up a key pass by the Braves leaving the ball on the Colt 33 yard line. The Braves defense held the Colts and scored with :31 left in the first quarter. The Braves took the lead by kicking the extra point making the score 8-6.

The Colts took the kickoff and drove 92 yards for a touchdown at 10:01 in the second quarter. Ryan Gardner returned the kickoff 10 yards and Tacconelli broke loose for a 20 yard gain to the Colt 38 yard line. Following rushes by Colin Bailey and Tacconelli, Huber ran the ball 46 yards for the Colts second score and the lead

making it 12-8.

The Colts defense shut down the Braves led by Tacconelli, Gardner, Nick Koehler, and Alex Doering. The Braves managed an impressive 25 yard field goal with :19 left in the half bringing the score to 12-11 in favor of the Colts.

The Braves began the second half with a long 7:49 second drive ending in a touchdown and two point kick conversion making the score 19-12 to take the lead.

The Colts countered in the fourth quarter on a stunning 61yard touchdown run by Tacconelli followed by Huber picking up the extra point on a quarterback keeper. The game remained tied 19-19 until the end of regulation.

Overtime rules give both teams four plays to score from the 10 yard line. The Braves went first and scored despite solid defense and a punishing stick by Joey Hewlett on third down. Again, the two point kick conversion was good making the score 27-19. The Colts scored on a pass from Huber to Gardner. The two point kick conversion was no good making the final score 27-25.

Colts Freshman top Braves

The Colts continued their winning ways with a hard fought victory over the Walled Lake Brave improving their season's record to 4-0.

The Colts defense was off to an ominous start as the Braves opened the game with a 49 yard touchdown pass on the games first possession and a successful extra point.

The Colts began their first possession with a nifty pass play of their own as Justin Zimbo connected with Mason Williams on a 15 yard pass play but the drive sputtered. The Colts answered the Braves opening score on their second possession as Alec Melucci scampered over left end for a 29 yard rushing touchdown.

The Colts defense began to stiffen in the second quarter, as they pinned the Braves back deep into their own territory. The Colt offense got the ball back on the Braves 20 yard line and drove in for a touchdown and extra point as Melucci plunged in from one yard out and converted the PAT making the score 13-7 at the half. Melucci finished the day with 97 yards on 18 carries and two touchdowns.

Zimbo came out firing again in the second half hitting Austin-Hayek in the flat for a 5 yard gain but the drive stalled as both defenses tightened up in the scoreless 3rd quarter.

The Colts were led by Owen Kipke who had 13 tackles and a fumble recovery on the day, David Moorman who had 10 tackles including four sacks for a negative thirty four yards and a fumble recovery. Shane Gregory and Alex Salah also contributed with key defense stops. The Colts offense finally broke through the Braves defense in the fourth quarter as Jack Meacham bolted off right tackle for a 27 yard touchdown run which all but assured the Colts of victory. The Braves did not quit as they connected on a 62 yard pass play that pulled them within 6 points. Their onside kick attempt was recovered by the Alex Thomas, crushing any hope of a miracle comeback.

The Colts defense punished the Braves rushing game limiting them to a negative-36 yards on the ground.

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MUSTANGS VARSITY RECORDS

FOOTBALL	1-6
TENNIS	12-1
GIRLS SWIMMING AND DIVING	1-4
BOYS CROSS COUNTRY	1-0
GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY	2-0
BOYS SOCCER	13-0-3
BOYS GOLF	11-0
GIRLS BASKETBALL	7-4

*Records through Monday's games.

SPORTS CALENDAR

Football 10/13 Salem, 7 p.m.	10/17 Plymouth, 7 p.m.
Boys Golf 10/12 at Oak Pointe GC, TBA	Cross Country 10/12 at WLAA Jamboree, Wayne High School, 4 p.m.
Girls Basketball 10/12 at Wayne, 7 p.m.	Girls Swimming and Diving 10/12 Plymouth, 7 p.m.



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Fingertip save!

Mustang goal keeper Albert Kief makes a stab at a save during warm-ups. The Mustangs travel to Catholic Central at 7 p.m. Monday to open district play.

Northville wins district

Regional play begins today at Oak Point GC

By Jeff Thelsen
RECORD STAFF WRITER

The Northville golf team brought its "A" game to district play and won the tournament, advancing to regional play. Northville also beat Salem 151-171 to finish the regular season 11-0.

The Mustangs combined to fire a 318, besting Brighton at 323 and Novi and Catholic Central at 325. Phil Snow beat the 65-player field with a 72, one-over par. "The conditions were tough," Snow said. "We won the thing so we obviously played good. We need to carry it over to regionals. I think it's a big confidence boost for us."

Chase Dehne and Wes Gates shot 81s, and Richard Allen and Alex Bernstein each shot an 86.

The Mustangs start regional play this morning at Oak Pointe Golf Course.



Photo by JOHN HEIDER/Northville Record

Mustang golfer Richard Allen practices for regionals which start today.

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Catholic Central

10/16 @ 7:00 PM

Northville

10/21 @ 1:00 PM
at Walled Lake Western High School

W.L. Western

10/16 @ 7:00 PM

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10/19 @ 7:00 PM
at Walled Lake Western High School

Novi

10/16 @ 7:00 PM

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SPORTS SHORTS

Cats Basketball Tryouts

All fifth-eighth grade boys attending Novi Schools are invited to tryout for the Novi Cats travel basketball team.

Players will be competing at the highest level of area competition. This AAU program is very competitive and the volunteer coaches will be focused on developing player skills within a positive coaching environment.

9:30pm at Meadows 5th Grade gym (call backs on Oct. 19)
6th Grade: Oct. 16, 7:30-9:30pm at Meadows 6th Grade gym (call backs on Oct. 17)
7th Grade: Oct. 16, 7:30-9:30pm at Meadows 5th Grade gym (call backs on Oct. 17)
8th Grade: Oct. 18, 7:30-9:30pm at Meadows 6th Grade gym (call backs on Oct. 19)
Contact Todd Beyer at beyer@traveladservice.com for more information.

Mustang freshmen lose first game to Canton

Submitted to the Northville Record

The Northville freshman football team lost their first game of the season to Canton Thursday, 18-16. The Mustangs took an 8-6 lead into the half after great defensive play by both teams. The Mustangs opened the 3rd quarter in a flurry with four straight rushing plays ending in a touchdown, and went up 16-6.

Canton charged back, stifling the Mustang offense and putting up two unanswered TDs.

Touchdowns were scored by Brett Smith, and Eihan Eckhout on a pass from Dan Mills. Nick Mortimer had an interception. Canton has won five straight, advancing to 5-1-1.

The Mustangs fall to 6-1 on the season, and look to bounce back strong in the crossover game next week against Plymouth Salem.

DISTRICT CHAMPS

Mustangs set focus on making it out of regional play

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that Northville has had."

For Stetson, having three seniors in the top-four rotation has made life easier.

"I have been very fortunate with my senior leadership this year," Stetson said. "To go 11-0, they had to show up 11 times and put up some solid scores. That doesn't even include the tournaments that we've won."

Seeking state

All three players agree that the Mustangs are team focused on making it to state as a team.

Snow qualified for state play as an individual last year and finished sixth overall, but he would like his teammates playing instead of cheering.

"We're just focused on making it to state as a team," Snow said. "I've never done that. I'm just trying to play well and give our team a chance. Hopefully, Chase, Rich and Wes (Gates) can play well and we can get there as a team."

"That would be awesome. I think that would be a lot of fun."

The regional meet begins this morning at Oak Pointe Golf Course, which is also Brighton's home course. The regional will be considered one of the most competitive in the state with Novi, Catholic Central, Brighton and Brother Rice in the mix.

"It will be disappointing if we don't make it to state," Dehne said. "It's been a lot of fun, but there's still a long way to go."

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Mustang golfer Phil Snow prepares to hit the ball during a practice round.

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ON THE MOVE

Believing is half the battle with running

Early each morning, the streets and sidewalks of Northville are frequented by numerous runners as they get their miles in before work or the heat of the day. When you see them, you may think of a number of things: Why would anyone want to run? I couldn't do that. I'm too old for that.

People run for a variety of reasons. Many of them are health related (lose some weight, feel better, increase one's energy level). That is what got me started 14 years ago and I haven't turned back.

One of the great things about running is all you have to do is put on a shirt and shorts and lace up the shoes and you are off. It doesn't require extra equipment, it can be done alone, it is relatively inexpensive, and one can run most anywhere and at anytime - making it an ideal physical activity at home or traveling. Once into running, the enjoyment, friendship with fellow runners, and the feeling of accomplishment will keep you going.

The first step is the hard one. If in doubt about being able to run, remember "Yes, you can!" And don't think you are too old or too young to start. Over 1,000 runners participated in the Solstice 5K/10K Runs in Northville in June. They ranged in age from 6 to 79! One of the great things about running in races is you compete in male and female age groups (usually in 5 year increments). That sure helps as one gets older. And running is no longer a male dominated sport. There are now many events where females outnumber the males.

Practicing what she preaches

Being the Northville Parks and Recreation director is pretty demanding for Traci Sincoc, but she finds time to practice what she preaches. Traci, age 49, started running 22 years ago on a "more off than on basis" for exercise and to be healthier. This year she has increased the frequency and length of her running and walking as she prepares for the Tampa Bay Breast Cancer 3-Day Walk in October. The walk will cover 60 miles during the 3-day period. This is far more challenging than a "walk in the park" and requires motivation, dedication and training.

In preparation, Traci has been walking five or more miles a day and has participated in several 5K, 8K and 4-mile races in the area recently. After seeing her pace improve to 9:24/mile and picking up a medal in an event, she is definitely getting the "running bug". Traci is now looking ahead to her first 10K later this year.

Northville resident Jerry Mittman is an avid runner. He has completed over 570 races, including 53 marathons. He can be contacted at jjm997@hotmail.com.

Upcoming Events

The fall season brings a lot of great running events. Here are two to consider:

- Oct. 8: The Farmington Fall Classic 5K Run/Walk starts/finishes in Heritage Park (on Farmington Rd. between 10 Mile and 11 Mile). It runs through the park and surrounding neighborhood and is both scenic and somewhat challenging. (www.running-foundation.com)

- Oct. 29: The Detroit Marathon has something for everyone - including the marathon and half marathon runs at 7:15 a.m., and a 5K fun run/fitness walk and the Kid's Mini-Marathon at 7:45 a.m. The marathon and half marathon courses are outstanding - with a run across the Ambassador Bridge to Canada and a return to the U.S. through the tunnel, plus a finish on Ford Field. Join in the excitement in downtown Detroit. (www.detroitfreepress-marathon.com)

Mustangs 2nd at Center Line

Northville tennis flattens WLAA field, winning all but one flight

By Jeff Theisen
RECORD STAFF WRITER

The Northville girls cross country team had another busy week, placing second at the 14-team Center Line Invite on Saturday and also sent a team to the Wayne County meet on the same day.

The Mustangs also ran at the Portage Invite that featured 31 teams, including several of the top teams in the state.

At Center Line, Lindsay Hagan led the team with an eight-place finish in 19:25. Mary Sprader was 15th at 19:55, Jenny Murphy placed 18th in 20:04, Karina Puskorius was 25th in 20:20, and Stephanie Hamel closed out the scoring with a 31st-place finish in 20:28.

At the Wayne County Meet, the Mustangs finished 10th of 23 teams. Kelsey Katynski claimed a medal with a 30th-place finish (21:07). Vicki Gutowski was 43rd (21:31), Sarah Forsythe was 48th (21:40), Julia Bawden was 65th (22:09), and Emily Kreichelt was 92nd in (23:02).

At Portage, the Mustangs finished ninth of 31 teams. Hagan and Sprader won medals with finishes of 21st (19:28) and 36th (19:48) respectively. Other scorers included Puskorius in 71st (20:31), Murphy in 80th (20:49) and Hamel in 82nd (20:50).

"I am really happy with the team the last two weeks," Northville head coach Nancy Smith said. "We will start fine-tuning now and work on getting

mentally strong before conference finals and regionals.

"The Mustangs are looking to win the division title for the third straight year (today)."

In JV action, The Mustangs won the John Glenn Freshman/Sophomore Invite for the fourth straight year. Hamel was the individual champion. Other top-20 finishers included Katynski, Forsythe, Amy Baditoi, Shelby Johnson, Kelsey Olinik and Lauren Hall.

At Center Line, Gutowski finished fourth (21:30). Following her were Kreichelt in 13th (22:00) and Christin Reuter in 19th (22:25).

Northville Basketball

The Northville Mustangs girls basketball team suffered a pair of losses last week, dropping a 37-29 decision to Walled Lake Western and a 50-47 overtime loss to Plymouth.

Against Western, the Mustangs stayed close throughout but couldn't come out on the positive side at the end of each quarter. Western led 10-8 after the first quarter, 22-17 at halftime and 30-22 heading into the fourth.

Sarah Stern was the lone Mustang in double digits with 14 points.

Against Plymouth, Northville scored 17 points to the Wildcats' 11 in the fourth quarter to force overtime. But the Mustang offense struggled in overtime, netting just two points and losing by

three. Plymouth jumped out to a 13-6 lead after the first quarter, but the Mustangs pulled within 19-17 by halftime. Plymouth increased the lead to 34-28 heading into the fourth.

Chelsea Atzinger had a huge offensive game, hitting 8-of-11 shots for a team-high 16 points. Stern was next with 15 points and five assists. Jessica Boerger pitched in eight points.

Northville Tennis

The Northville tennis team blasted through the Walled Lakes Activities Association, winning all the flights except one second-place finish.

Winning singles flights were Christina Ruiz at No. 1 with a 6-1, 7-5 finals win, No. 2 Chelsea Johnston 6-0, 6-2 in the finals and No. 4 Sarah Kouplal 6-2, 6-1 in the finals.

No. 3 singles Haley Johnston finished second, losing 6-0, 6-4 in the finals.

The Mustangs pulled a sweep in doubles play. Jessica Weber and Jonnie Powers won 6-3, 6-2 in the No. 1 finals, Laura Taylor and Kelsey Thomas won 6-2, 6-0 at No. 2, Ursula Cauffiel and Kristin Randall won 7-5, 6-3 at No. 3 and Abby Grajek and Sabrina Masciulli won 6-0, 6-0 at No. 4.

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Mustang defenders corral a Plymouth shooter.

Photo submitted by Dana Birdsall

Fall sports perfect time for sports nuts

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every game could be their last. The longer a team makes it in the playoffs, the tougher the competition and the better the games become.

The Northville, Novi area is loaded with some of the top talent in the state in several sports. Take time to enjoy their abilities while you can.

Hockey Returns

High school sports aren't your thing? Hockeytown is back in action.

The Red Wings have started without their usual dominance in the media because of the success

of the Tigers. But I'll get to more on them in a minute.

The Wings have plenty of new faces now that Steve Yzerman has retired and Brendan Shanahan decided to move on. The team is younger and some of the numbers are new, but it's still a very good team, and this is still Hockeytown.

Pro and College Football

Hockey not your thing? Football is in full swing.

College football is a little easier to stomach in this area with the Lions being our so-called professional team. I must say, the Tigers success and the Red Wings starting have eased the negative press on the Lions. Once the Tiger sea-

son comes to an end, we'll get a full batch of Lions negativity.

The Michigan Wolverines are a top-five team after beating the rivals from Michigan State. It's hard to make a prediction with so much of the season left, but this Wolverine team looks awfully similar to the 1997 team. Minimize the mistakes offensively and capitalize on every mistake the opposition makes.

Tigers Playoff Baseball

Not interested in football? Sit back and enjoy the Tigers.

Saturday's game was possibly one of the best professional games I have ever attended. I remember not wanting to go to games because the Tigers were so

bad. I couldn't stomach watching a team that did so many things wrong, yet were still labeled professionals.

Just three years after posting one of the worst seasons in baseball history, the Tigers are in the American League Championship Series. I thought the Tigers had a chance against New York, but I wouldn't have been shocked if they got spilled in three. Instead, they overcame the opening game loss and beat, more like destroyed, the Yankees.

If the game wasn't enough to send your goose bumps flying off your arms, then the post-game celebration by the players and on the streets should've.

That was most electric I have ever seen a Detroit crowd after

any game. The Red Wing title celebrations were close, but the crowd in Comerica Park is so much bigger that it seemed twice as big.

I don't know how many high-fives I handed out to total strangers, but I woke up with a throbbing in my hands that I could only think was totally worth the pain.

If none of the above nets your fancy, then I have no idea why you are still reading this.

Go Tigers, Northville, Novi, Catholic Central, Michigan, Michigan State, Red Wings and yes, even the Lions.

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Mustang Chelsea Atzinger drives for a layup past three Plymouth Wildcats.



Northville Mustang guard Sarah Stern gets a shot off over a Plymouth Wildcat defender.



Surrounded by Wildcats, Mustang Kristin Fiscus looks to make a pass during Northville's visit to Plymouth.

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Mustang starter Chelsea Atzinger is welcomed by teammates during pre-game introductions.



Mustang Jessica Boerger tries to block the pass of Plymouth Wildcat Chelsey Quinlan.

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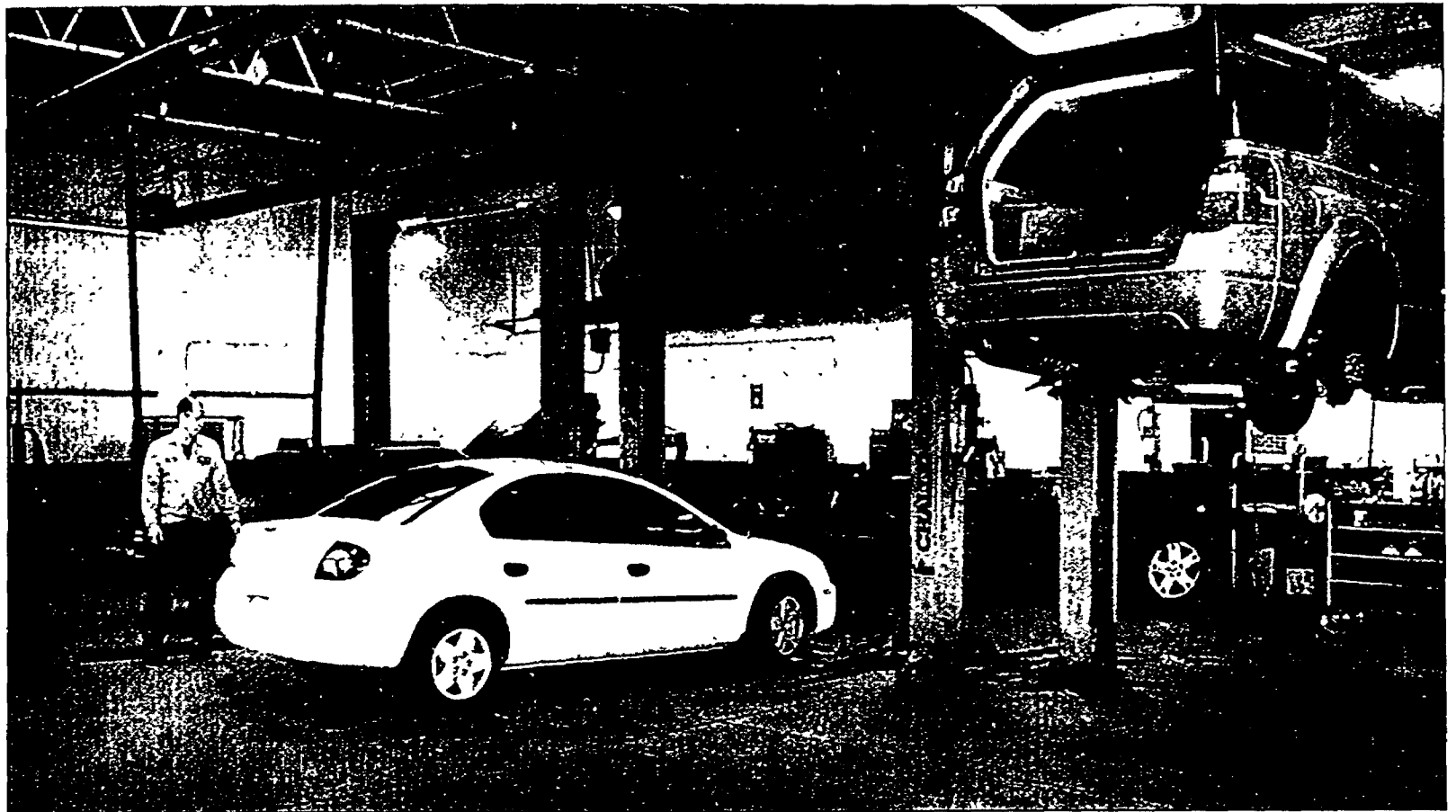
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At Davis Auto Care, at 807 Doheny Road in Northville, quality auto care and customer service are the primary goals.

Davis Auto Care: We fix it right

Quality work, customer service key

By Kate Phillips
SPECIAL WRITER

There's a good reason why Davis Auto Care of Northville has earned the "People's Choice" award four years running. Owner Jim Davis and his staff have put customers at the center of their auto repair business.

"Our main purpose is solving people's problems," said Davis. "We want to make people's lives easier."

Davis Auto Care does it all, so cars and light trucks can get all maintenance and repairs done in one place. Everything from brakes, mufflers, tune-ups, electrical, tires and heavy repairs to oil changes and detailing can be done at the full-service shop.

Preventing break-downs

Jim Davis and the technicians at Davis Auto Care make lives easier by trying to prevent break-downs in the first place. The established garage takes the time to perform a 21-point safety check each time a customer stops in for service. Any mechanical issues are written up, and thoroughly explained, so customers can make an educated decision about whether to go ahead with the repair. The work is carefully prioritized, so those on a budget can fix the most urgent concerns first.

Davis also helps teach customers how to take care of their cars. He uses technology to remind customers when maintenance suggested by the manufacturer is due. This kind of personalized care makes it a little like having a mechanic in the family.

"The bottom line is, if we do the service right, people won't have a break-down," said Davis.

Not only do customers receive a 21-point inspection at Davis Auto Care, but it is also a part of every

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"People want to take good care of their car, so it won't break down," said Davis. "We help them with routine maintenance so it will stay running for a long time."

In the same building as Davis Auto Care, Ultimate Image Auto Spa provides detailing work on the inside and outside of each car. It's the perfect place for a car to get cleaned up, which protects the vehicle's value, while making the vehicle look showroom new.

Making it easier

Davis Auto Care stops at nothing to make sure that customers are treated well. A courtesy shuttle is always ready to pick up or drop off customers who need a ride. Davis even provides a cell phone to keep track of progress, for those who need it.

For those spending some time in the waiting room, Davis provides free high-speed Internet service, and even a computer for surfing the Web. A large TV, hot coffee, bottled water and pleasant waiting room make the time pass quickly.

"It's all those little things that make a big difference," said Davis. "We want to make it easier for you."

A part of the commitment to serving customers is getting vehicles repaired as quickly as possible, often days before other mechanics might. Staff will actually travel to pick up parts for vehi-

cles, instead of waiting for parts to come in later the next day. It's a matter of trying to get the cars and trucks fixed quickly, so customers can get back on the road.

The right mechanic

Finding an auto repair business is often a matter of trust. Davis Auto Care has served customers well for over 26 years. During that time, Davis has built a solid reputation for good honest work. Customers continue to come back, even driving in after they've moved away. New customers come mostly as a result of referrals from other satisfied customers.

No repair at Davis is finished until the customer is satisfied. Davis will see to it that technicians continue to work on the car until the problem is completely solved. All repairs come with a one year warranty, good for 12,000 miles or longer, in addition to manufacturer warranties on parts.

Having the owner on-site makes a difference to cautious consumers. Jim Davis handles all problems himself, with help from staff members April Rice, Dave Massel and Kristy Yori. Customers who stop in regularly will quickly get to know the friendly staff.

Having a friendly, reliable staff makes a big difference in the auto care business. At Davis Auto Care, the staff takes the time to explain what is wrong with a vehicle, what is causing the problem and what would solve the problem. Just performing the action without talking it through could leave an issue hidden, or keep questions from getting answered.

"Good communication is an important part of auto repair" said Davis. "It's important for customers to know 'Why do I have to spend all of this money on my car?'"

"Customers are generally more satisfied, if they understand where the money is going, and why."

The technicians are the most important part of the staff. All five are state and ASE nationally licensed Master Technicians with supplemental education in every



Davis Auto Care Master Technician Dennis Rau inspects the suspension system of a Ford van, one of many vehicle types the award-winning auto care facility is capable of repairing.

system of the car, and how those systems interface. The technicians can also get help in a sticky spot from technical subscription service.

Davis Auto Care is centrally located in Northville. Many consumers drive to Davis Auto Care,

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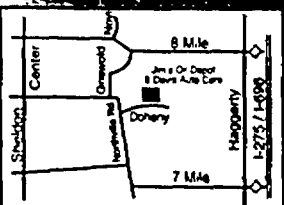
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85 Salvo solution
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92 Present
94 Harp -
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97 Beat
99 Where kids eat
102 Menlo Park monogram
104 It's in the bag
105 Pto part
106 A place with buzz?
107 It may give you pause
108 Nom de crime?
109 Gnals and brats
114 First base man?
116 Spinks or Trotsky
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120 Carmen or Clapton
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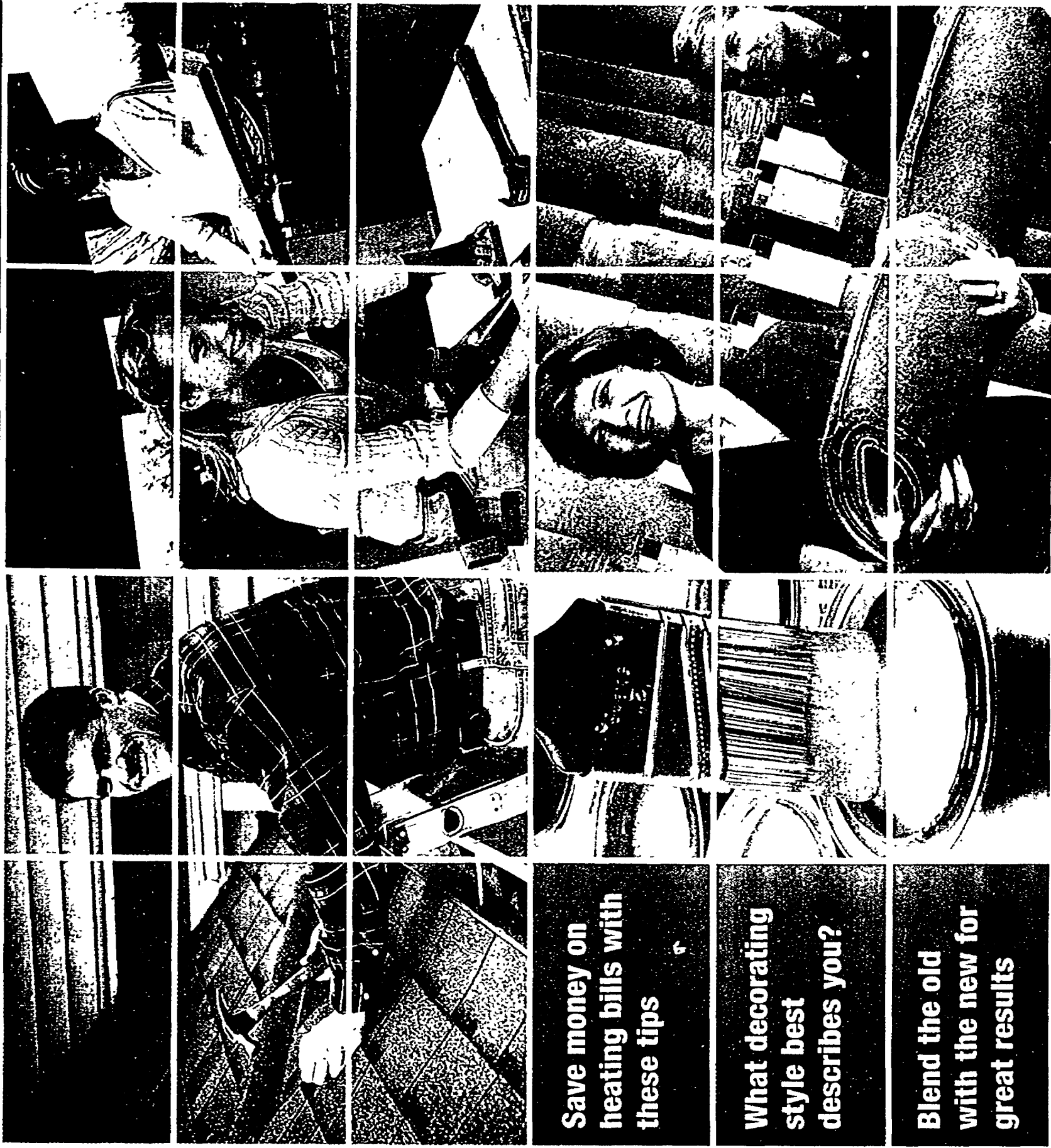
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Update bathroom with affordable ideas

By Ann Londrigan
CORPUS NEWS SERVICE

Don't let size fool you. The average home's guest or child's bathroom occupies a 5-by-7-foot space and typically is the smallest room in a house. It also is one of the most expensive rooms per square foot.

"A bathroom has flooring and walls to consider, but it's also where you'll find plumbing, electrical and heating — every mechanical system — plus the fixtures for faucets and lighting," explains Kelli Shanhart, a designer for Michael von Behren Builder Inc.

Changing the paint color, a shower curtain, towels and accessories all are quick and relatively inexpensive makeover options.

"To make a small room larger, paint it a lighter color or have everything be the same color like a jewel box," says interior designer Tamara Burns. "You could paint it all a chocolate brown and involve the ceiling as well. Add an inexpensive chandelier, pink and chocolate accents, and soft pink towels."

"I like to use mirrors in the bathroom," she says. "A mirror reflects the light and makes the room look bigger."

Marlyn Kresse and Mark Miller of Spaulding, Ill., updated their guest bathroom with creative input from Burns. The bathroom's new color scheme was inspired by the beach and a circa-1960s blue tub that they chose not to replace because it was in good condition. Among the updates, the two repainted the original vanity, added a tiled shower to the tub and installed an inexpensive chandelier.

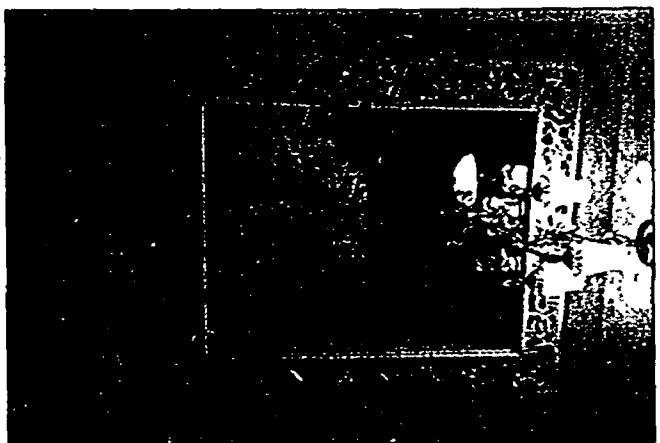


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This updated guest bathroom features a custom mirror frame made from pieces of the homeowner's favorite old plates and bits of colored glass.

A focal point for the bathroom above the sink by hand-gluing pieces of broken plates and colored glass to a custom-framed mirror. They look sev-

eral of Kresse's favorite old plates with polka dots, butterflies and stripes on them, put them in a bag and hammered away.

A space-saver is a pedestal sink or a trendy, wall-mounted sink. Toilets, too, come in less conspicuous models nowadays, with styles in an elongated shape ideal for smaller or second bathrooms. Shanhart says there are even jute-size ones for porty training that fit in a standard opening for potty training, but that major milestone is reached.

When designing or updating a child's bathroom, however, it's important to keep in mind that Junior will grow up.

Says Shanhart: "We try to remind parents that in five years is your child really going to want a Mickey Mouse faucet when his friends come over to play? Are you willing to spend a lot of money on this theme now, but in five years you may have to change it out as they grow older?"

Kid-friendly features that stand the test of time include brushed finishes on faucets so water spots don't show. Floor tile that has more traction also can help prevent slips.

"New faucets can be a quick and easy change, and you don't have to be a plumber to do that," says Burns, who recently changed the fixtures in her older home's 6-by-8-foot bathroom.

"A lot of people are shower people rather than bath people today, so we are adding a lot of walk-in showers versus the tub," Shanhart says. "But keep a tub in the house for resale if you are going to sell your house in five to 10 years. The people may be coming in with children, and they're going to want a tub."

Follow these energy-saving steps at home this winter

By Tamara Browning
CORPUS NEWS SERVICE

With electric and gas rates rising, an out-of-control furnace is not what anyone needs come wintertime. Neither is good, warm air seeping from the cozy indoors to the cold outside.

There are plenty of ways heat can escape. According to "The Homeowner's Handbook," published by OMD Enterprise Inc., 2 percent of home heat can be lost through electrical outlets. Some other "escape routes" include bath fans and kitchen hoods that are vented to the outside, 4 percent; doors, 11 percent; plumbing penetrations, 13 percent; fireplaces, 14 percent; heat ducts, 15 percent; walls and ceilings that lack insulation, 31 percent. Residents would do well to determine areas of heat loss, such as checking for air leaks around windows, which amount to a 10 percent heat loss in a home.

Using plastic window coverings, weather stripping for windows and doors and insulating walls and attics are do-it-yourself ways to make a home more energy efficient.

However, do-it-yourself owners of older homes should make sure they don't have "knob and tube" electrical wiring before they insulate. Knob and tube wiring's nicknane comes from the ceramic knobs that are used to insulate and secure the wiring runs and the ceramic tubes used to protect the wires where they pass through potentially abrasive materials such as wood joists and studs.

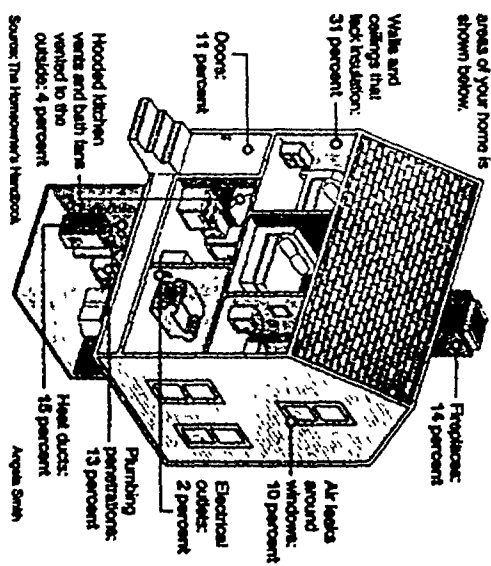
"You can't insulate over the top of that, or you'll start a fire," Terry Drury, owner/inspector of Drury Home Inspection Inc. in Springfield, Ill., said. "That particular type of wiring has got to have air movement all the way around it. With older homes, you need to rewire and then insulate — those are homes built 1960s and before."

People living in mobile homes need maintenance checks around their homes before winter, said Bob Bergen of Bob Bergen Heating and Air Conditioning in Springfield.

"Check the starting for openings. Are the windows sealed? The repair of the skirting and the outside windows, are very

Homes can lose heat in many places

Knowing where heat escapes your home can help heating bills down when the problem areas are insulated or closed off. Where heat is lost from different areas of your home is shown below.



Important to make that seal," said Bergen.

He said it's important to check for water leaks in toilets and faucets in mobile homes. Typically, when the temperature gets below freezing, people will turn on a water faucet in a traditional, residential home so their pipes don't freeze.

"In a mobile home, do not do this because you have the main drain pipe (that) goes from the bottom of the home, across and into the drain," Bergen said. "This is open area, and it will freeze. If it freezes, it's a very costly repair."

Bergen also suggested testing the mobile home's heat tape wrapped on the cold water supply (heat tape generally isn't used

in traditional homes). The simplest way to test it is to turn on the cold water and put your hand under the water stream first thing in the morning.

"The water will first come out room temperature. Then it's going to come out warm to hot, and then it's going to be cold," Bergen said. "This tells me that the heat tape to the mobile home is working."

Other tips:

- Don't run bath fans any longer than necessary.
- They're designed to suck moisture and everything out of the bathroom," Drury said. "While you're doing that, you're just sucking heat right out with it."
- Keep fireplace doors and the damper closed when not in use. When using the fireplace, open a window closest to the fireplace about an inch and set the thermostat to 50 or 55 degrees. If the fireplace is in one particular room, close the doors to that room.
- Install storm doors only if the manufacturer of your exterior doors OKs it. Some manufacturer warranties won't cover damage left by storm doors.
- A lot of the framing around the exterior windows (of exterior doors) is vinyl or plastic. If you put a storm door on there ... it melts it," said Drury.
- Program setback thermostats so the furnace doesn't kick on unless it gets below 60 degrees at bedtime. Or, when you're gone, program it to not turn on until it falls to 50 degrees.
- Open drapes on sunny winter days to let the sun in for warmth.
- Don't cover heat registers with drapes or furniture.
- Use pre-formed foam outlet covers for outlets on exterior walls. Install outside faucet covers. Use air conditioner covers.
- Apply from 1/2- to 2-inch, 4-by-8-foot foam boards to interior walls of basements that have exposed areas (above ground).

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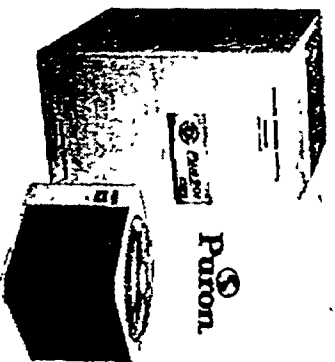
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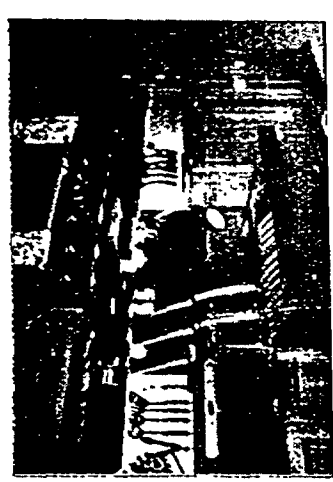
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When old style meets new, strive for a perfect match

By Lori Hartigan
COPEY NEWS SERVICE

Older houses nestled on tree-lined streets have character and charm often lacking in new home construction. But the handicrafted quality and attention to detail in an older home can come at an expense.

The challenge homeowners face when adding contemporary features to an older home is in preserving the home's personality. The updates should blend not only with the house itself, but also with others in the neighborhood, according to Mike von Behren, owner of Michael von Behren Builder Inc. in Springfield, Ill.

For more than 30 years, von Behren has been remodeling homes while maintaining their original integrity and individuality. The volume of his work suggests a trend in refurbishing older homes in lieu of buying or building new ones.

"Newer homes require less maintenance, but people like the feel of older homes," says Randy Johnstone, a Realtor with the Real Estate Group.

Homebuyers, particularly young couples, Johnstone says, are drawn to older homes that need some work. He says high ceilings, hardwood floors, grand staircases, fireplaces flanked by built-in bookcases and expansive porches are popular selling points.

With considerable advancements in building material, updates — both interior and exterior — can be made without compromising the original look of the home. These materials duplicate old-world style but also require more maintenance, von Behren says.

"It's a sacrifice. You have to choose — maintenance-free material or authenticity. Authenticity comes with both maintenance and cost," he says.

Maintenance includes painting, caulking and other exterior attention every few years. Traditional material like vinyl and aluminum require little or no maintenance.

Foundations

When you put on an addition, you expect the foundations to match, von Behren says. But many older homes have brick foundations and newer homes have concrete.

To make old and new match, von Behren uses a process called brick stamping. Once stamped and either painted or stained, the foundation has the look of brick with the durability of concrete. Of course, it costs more than a modern concrete foundation.

Siding

Unlike modern-day vinyl-sided houses, old homes often have cedar siding. The shingles were applied individually, a laborious and time-consuming process. To replicate this look, von Behren recommends one of two options.

The first is concrete-based lap siding (sold under the brand name James Hardie Siding Products). The cementitious siding has to be primed and painted like wood, but it matches the original profile of the house, he says. It also holds paint better than wood.

"You'd paint wood twice before you ever paint the cementitious siding," von Behren says.

The second option is real cedar wood-shingle siding, which comes in six and eight-foot sheets making it faster and easier to hang.

Windows

Replacing windows is perhaps the easiest way to improve an older home's energy efficiency while maintaining its original character, von Behren says.

Manufacturers make restoration windows to match existing windows in older homes. The windows have real wood inside

like the originals, but have a modern, maintenance-free exterior, he says. His company sometimes makes its own trim for the outside of new windows to maintain the original profile.

"We have our own mill shop to control the final look. Everything isn't always readily available on the market," von Behren says. "Some renovations require custom work."

Kitchens & Bathrooms

Kitchens and bathrooms in older homes, typically small and outdated, usually require remodeling. Small rooms can be made bigger by combining two rooms into one or knocking out a closet to create a master bathroom suite, von Behren says. If space isn't available, he recommends considering an addition.

"Old homes don't have the gathering space created by adjoining kitchens and family rooms popular in newer houses," he says. "You really can't get that kind of space without adding to the existing structure."

Ceramic tile and antique-style plumbing fixtures replicate the period look in kitchens and bathrooms.

Porches

Newer products made of fiberglass and composite materials replicate the look of old-fashioned porch products, von Behren says. The material never rots and the paint holds for 10 to 12 years, he says. "You'll never replace it, only maintain it."

Roofing

Slate and clay tiles are available to match existing roofs. They are a large investment, von Behren says, but they last a lifetime.

Get your house ready for winter

according to Fritch. With a storm window the loss is cut almost in half.

■ Check the roof for loose shingles and make sure the flashing around the chimney or vent pipe is watertight. Also check the chimney for cracks and consider installing a screen at the top of the chimney to keep leaves and critters out.

■ Each year the chimney also should be checked for creosote buildup. Such a buildup could be a source of fire.

■ Keep the fireplace damper closed unless a fire is going. Keeping the damper open is like keeping a 48-inch window wide open during the winter, according to information from the University of Illinois Extension.

■ Clean out gutters by removing leaves and other debris that prevent water from flowing freely to the drain pipe. Backed up water can cause roof damage and could even seep into the house. Consider installing gutter guards to help keep debris out of the gutters.

■ Pipes in unheated areas like crawl spaces may need to be protected with heat tape.

■ Drain and shut off water to outside faucets, if possible. There are faucet covers that fit over spigots to help protect the pipes from freezing. And the point where pipes enter exterior walls may require caulking.

■ Remove hoses from outside faucets, drain them and store them away for the winter.

■ Check the clothes dryer vent at the outside wall for a draft.



Illustration by MICHAEL ANTHONY NOBLE

A few chores around the house this fall will pay off in energy savings through the winter.

Experts advise changing normal furnace filters every month and high-efficiency ones every three months.

Inside

■ Morris also recommends draining the water heater each year in order to remove sediment that builds up in the tank.

■ Change the batteries on your smoke alarm and carbon monoxide detector.

"If you have gas appliances and you don't have a carbon monoxide detector, this is the time to get one," Fritch said.

■ Put up storm windows or cover the windows with plastic. At minus 10 degrees, a window with a single pane of glass and no storm window loses 103 BTUs per square foot,

Learn the caulk trick

You can ensure that your caulking bead is straight and even with this simple trick: Use masking tape to tape off the areas around the area in which you are caulking, keeping the two pieces of tape at a distance the size of the desired bead. Lay down your bead of caulk. Use your finger to tool the caulk by pushing the excess onto the tape. After tooling, you can remove the masking tape and you'll find a very nice looking, straight, clean, smooth bead of tooled caulk.

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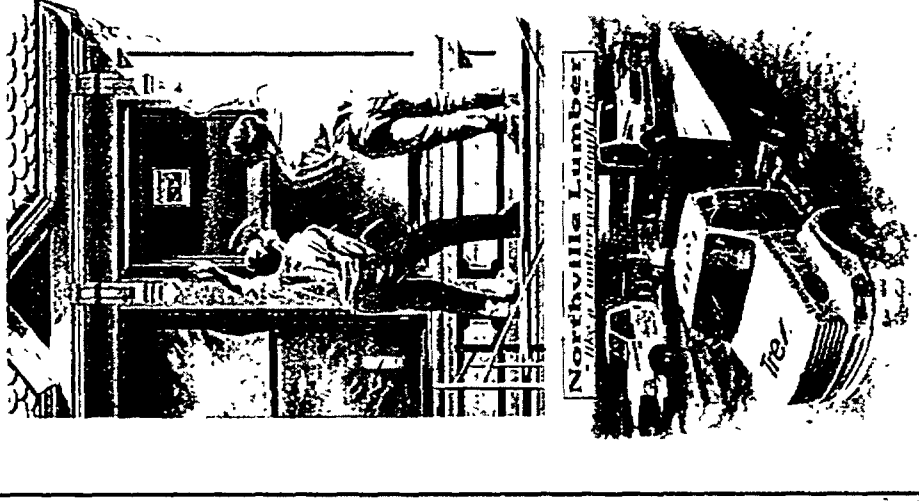
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Rust stains are a menace to homeowners. They can occur in driveways and sidewalks and be an eyesore against pristine landscaping.

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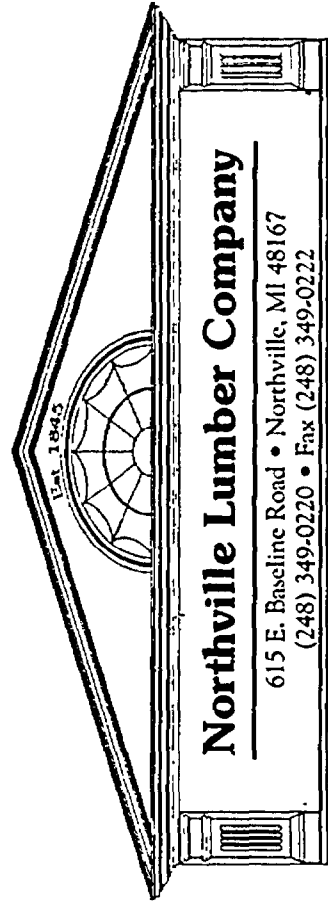
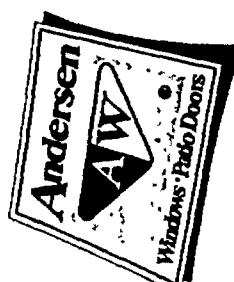
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Many homeowners make home improvements because they want to upgrade the look and comfort level of their homes. However, a good majority do so to improve the value of a home — something that can turn a higher profit if the house is ever sold. The trouble is, inexperienced homeowners might not realize the best ways to make the most out of dollars spent.

If you're thinking about fixing up your home in an effort to boost its salability, consider these important tips.

Make improvements count
People's preferences in a home are varied, therefore making major changes that are out of character with the home's architectural style or the neighborhood might not bode well come resale. Experts agree that neutral colors and universal improvements will score you a higher value over personalizations that may scare people away, such as adding a huge garage or over-the-top color palettes.

Maintain your home and property
While regular maintenance will not provide huge gains in home value, it certainly will prevent the house value from declining. A prospective buyer wants a home that is relatively attractive from a curb-appeal perspective and one that is in good working order. Don't risk having to make costly repairs as a bargaining chip at the time of sale. You'll end up spending more than if you just maintained your home during the duration of time spent living there. Plus, a few simple and relatively inexpensive touches can have maximum impact. A warm and inviting front yard that is clean and dotted with some shrubs and flowers can attract buyers.

Best rewards on repairs
It is a common misconception that making improvements to a home will reap parallel profits. In other words, many homeowners think that \$10,000 in repairs equals a \$10,000 increase in value. This is not the case. Research has found that kitchen and bath repairs offer some of the highest returns — 80 percent of money spent. Therefore, if budgets are tight and you want improvements that count, stick to these rooms.

Conceal or kick out clutter
A prospective buyer wants to imagine him or herself in your home. If your house (interior and exterior) is overrun with clutter it may

HOME TIPS

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There are many in-home test kits available to assess everything from lead on walls and in your drinking water, to asbestos and radon gas.

Clean air ducts regularly

Make sure the contractor uses high-velocity air and a whip that is fed through the ductwork to loosen any debris stuck to the walls of the sheet metal. Also, replace your furnace filters often.

Cleaning is key

Keep your home as clean as possible. Be sure to dust around window and door trims and those out-of-reach areas. Use a bagless HEPA vacuum cleaner.

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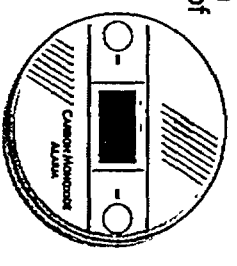
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Window energy efficiency is rated by the National Fenestration Rating Council. Their Web site is www.nfrc.org.

Purify indoor air
A good-quality HEPA filtering system can be up to 99.97% efficient at filtering particulates such as smoke, dust, pollen, mold spores and pet dander from the air.

Install a carbon monoxide detector

Placement of that detector is key. Like smoke alarms, it's recommended that it be located near the bedrooms, where it can wake you if you are asleep. Additional detectors on every level of a home provide extra protection.



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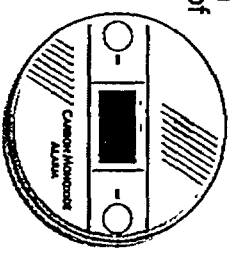
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Frozen pipes cause cascade of problems

By Kelsey Gurski
Copley News Service

A simple element like water can create some of the most complicated problems in a home. Dutch Nave has seen it all: soiled carpet, moldy furniture, soggy drywall, gaping ceilings, hardwood floors that look like rippled washboards. Some homes are left uninhabitable.

"Water can do a significant amount of damage," he said. "It causes a lot of damage that people don't realize."

As temperatures outside drop, the chances that a home's pipes may freeze and burst rise, resulting in an unwanted pool party for some homeowners. Failure to properly prepare a home for cold weather significantly adds to those chances, said Nave, general manager and customer service representative for Scruffy.

Even a little water can do damage if it's not properly and promptly cleaned up. What's best, Nave and other professionals say, is to prevent these situations from occurring.

The most common pipe-related call made to plumbers and utility companies in winter also is the most preventable: frozen siltcocks — the outdoor spout to which you attach a garden hose. Homeowners often forget to remove hoses from the siltcocks, preventing the spouts from draining the extra water retained.

"Once it gets into fall, people tend to keep their hoses screwed in," said Nate Fields, plumbing manager for Allied Plumbing and Heating in Springfield. "If the hose isn't unscrewed, it doesn't allow the pipe to drain, and then it bursts."

Usually the season's first cold snap provides a wake-up call to homeowners to check around the house for anything that may lead to a water break, he said.

Homeowners should also check their basements or crawlspaces: vented windows or doorways allow cold air to creep in and attack exposed pipes. Mobile homes also are susceptible to cold-air infiltration if the home's skirting comes loose.

"A lot of times, we find that (frozen pipes) could have been prevented if they'd been checked," Fields said.

Inside the home, it's just as important to protect vulnerable pipes, especially those along an exposed wall. If the air inside becomes too cold, problems are likely to develop. So the first thing every professional suggests is to properly insulate.

"The best thing to do is insulate your home so you not only keep the heat on yourself, but on your pipes," Fields said.

It's not always possible to protect every pipe, he said. Some houses, particularly older ones, are more susceptible to cold and wind.

The true recipe for disaster, he said, seems to be the combination of freezing temperatures and blowing wind. After a cold, windy night, his company's service representatives usually keep busy helping homeowners who awaken to discover they have no water or a broken line.

"If you get cold weather in combination with high winds — I'm talking about the single digit — that's when the majority of our calls come in," he said.

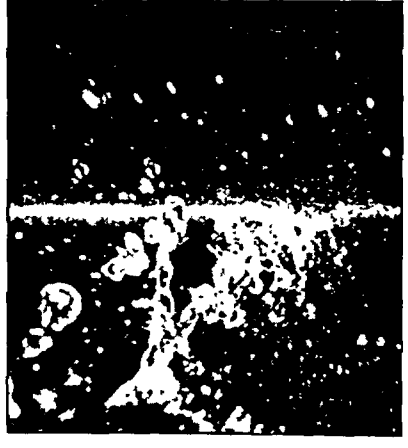


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Discovering and repairing water-related problems early can minimize costly damage. Such as a faulty heater or pockets in the home that are cooler than the majority of the house, such as beneath cabinets (in that case, he suggests opening cabinet doors to allow warmer air to circulate).

If a family does plan to vacation for weeks at a time during winter, Nave suggests they completely drain the water lines and shut off the main valve in the house. It's time-consuming, but a good method of protection, he said.

"A lot of people aren't going to go through the trouble, but if you are going out of town for a few months to go to your Florida home, that's an ideal thing to do," he said.

Tools such as electric heat tape can help protect vulnerable pipes from freezing, but Fields recommends checking it often to make sure it is working properly.

To protect pipes on those brutally cold nights, Fields recommends an old standby to keep water moving through them: Before bed, turn the faucets on and keep the water running at a trickle the size of a pencil lead (be sure the drain is working).

If a pipe does freeze, it can be thawed slowly to prevent a water break, but that requires careful and close observation. If you suspect your pipes are frozen, experts suggest testing every faucet and toilet to see what exactly has been affected. If there is no water, shut off the hot water heater to prevent damaging it.

But if it's too late and one or several pipes have become fountains, here's what you should do.

■ Know where the water valve is and how to shut it off. All family members should know how to do this. But if the valve isn't accessible, call the utility company and ask that the water be shut off at the street valve.

■ Once the water is off, call a plumber. If there is damage to flooring or ceilings, call a restoration company.

■ Protect your flooring from further damage. Nave suggested removing magazines and other items from the floor to prevent ink from transferring to the carpet. If wooden furniture touches the carpet, put aluminum foil under the legs to prevent the wet wood from staining the floor.

■ Start furniture drying as soon as possible. "Some furniture can be saved as long as we get to it quick enough and it starts drying," Nave said.

■ Be aware of electrical dangers. If there is a foot or more of standing water and there are electrical outlets in the room, "it may not be the smartest thing to go around splashing through the water," Fields said. In such cases, call a professional to turn off the power supply before removing any water.

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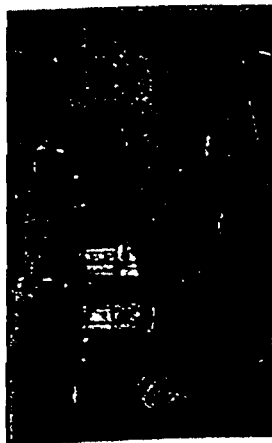
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Many decorating styles are incorporate natural materials and an old-world charm of sorts. Stone, marble, natural wood, rod iron and other materials are popular.

What is your decorating style?

Many homeowners do not know where to begin when decorating or redecorating their homes. What they may know is that they want to impart personalization and use a style that expresses their likes and interests. However, narrowing down a particular design style can be difficult if you're not exactly sure what components make up these styles. Here's a look at a few popular considerations.

Destination Decorating

One of the most popular trends is to bring European influences into the home by mimicking the ambience and decorating elements unique to these areas of the world.

French countryside: At home in the country or Victorian homes, this rustic style evokes feelings of bright sunshine and delicate mountain scapes. An important part of this style is to use natural materials — from exposed wood beams to an impressive stone fireplace — to give the home a cozy yet simplistic look. Colors run the gamut from fiery reds to creamy yellows, balanced with blues and grays. And don't overlook the use of tiles on upholstery and walls.

Swedish simplicity: If you're one who appreciates a light and airy home, borrowing from Swedish style could be key. Known for enduring long, dark winters, Swedes combatted the dreary weather by transforming their homes into bright showplaces. Furniture has straight or slightly curving lines; fabrics are composed mostly of whites and creams with touches of sunny colors like blues and yellows; and benches



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New stain makes updating cabinets less expensive

Your cabinets are the focal point of your kitchen. They set the style and create the mood. When you want to update that style or are just ready for a "new look," you have two choices — remodeling or refinishing.

According to Remodeling Magazine, the average cost to remodel an upscale kitchen is over \$68,000. For a midrange job the average cost is roughly \$43,000. For most people, these costs are too high and discouraging. However, there is a more cost-effective method according to Eric Chaimberg of Swing Paints.

"If your kitchen is in good condition, you can simply transform it by refinishing your cabinets and changing the counter tops. This is the most economical solution for anyone looking for an updated look. Plus, refinishing also means a minimal disruption to your daily life with less mess and no damage to your walls and floors."

Twenty years ago, if you wanted a professionally stained finish for your cabinets, you either had to be a professional yourself or look to hire one. Today there are finishing gels, even a novice do-it-yourselfer can easily apply with outstanding results. There is no mixing needed, no matching, just straight out of the can. And, if you choose a similar or darker color as your existing cabinets, you won't even have to strip them down to the bare wood.

Chaimberg recommends Circa 1850 Stain 'n Varnish, a unique product that combats the penetration of a wood stain with

protective qualities of a hand rubbed varnish — all in one easy to use gel.

"You no longer have to stain your wood, wait till it dries, then apply the finish," said Chaimberg. "You can now do both in one quick and easy step. The first coat is simply wiped on with a rag. There's no need to sand, simply let it dry 12-24 hours."

Applying additional hand-rubbed coats will deepen the color and add more protection, added Chaimberg.

"Or you can use Circa 1850 Antique Paste Varnish as the second coat to get the added protection without changing the color."

Because Circa 1850 Stain 'n Varnish is a gel, it can be applied to any type of cabinet surface: wood, plastic, metal, masonite, composite, etc. In fact, it is the best way to give non-wood surfaces, such as embossed composite doors, the look of real wood.

Besides ease of use and a consistent finish, Circa 1850 Stain 'n Varnish can also offer a new color dimension to the finishing spectrum with grain highlighting.

"You can take any kind of wood — oak, cherry, whatever — and finish it in forest green, emerald and steel blue or even black cherry," added Chaimberg. "That's something you just can't do with anything else. And because it is transparent, a thin coat of a contrasting color over an existing color can be used to give wood an antique, distressed, or faux-finish."

For more information or tips on finishing your cabinets visit www.circa1850.com. — By Metro News Service

Stay safe by following these ladder safety tips

■ A ladder should be set against a solid surface at an angle of 4 feet in 1 foot. Or, for every 4 feet of ladder height, the base of the ladder should be no more than 1 foot from the surface it's leaning against.

■ Never stand on the top three rungs or stand on top of a stepladder.

■ Stepladders should be securely spread open. Never use a folding stepladder in an

unfolded position.

■ Ladders used to access a roof must extend at least 3 feet beyond the roof.

■ Avoid using a ladder in a strong wind. Never use a ladder in front of a door unless it is locked, blocked or guarded.

■ Always face the ladder and use both hands on the rungs, not the rails, when climbing up or down. — By Copley News Service

Make your home senior friendly with ideas

make sure all light switches are easy to reach.

Around a staircase, make sure there's a light switch at the top and bottom of the stairs. Battery-operated lights can do the trick and help you avoid costly electrician costs.

■ Add a telephone or two. Though it's good, especially for seniors, to always have a cell phone on hand, it's also a good idea to equip your home with an extra telephone in key rooms — even in the bathroom, where falls often occur.

If you suffer from arthritis, give your aches and pains a break and have a telephone installed in a reading room or family room if they're not already there.

In addition, install a telephone in your bedroom. This will keep you from making long, unnecessary walks, saving your legs for more important things like traveling or playing with the grandkids.



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There are steps you can take to ensure your home is functional and safe for senior living.

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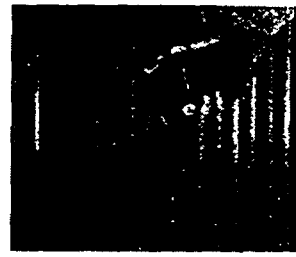
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Celebrate fall with a new floor

Any parent will tell you that the new year begins on the day the kids go back to school. The time previously spent swimming or gardening outside is now spent indoors — helping with homework, doing school projects, entertaining new friends. So why not prepare your home for the school-year traffic while also making it an enjoyable place for you and your family to spend time?

For a family's active lifestyle, vinyl flooring has long been a popular choice because of its soft, resilient nature, superior durability, and easy maintenance. And today's vinyl flooring offers more choices, and more natural looks, and textures, than ever before.

Design experts at Mannington, a leading flooring manufacturer, have developed vinyl flooring in a variety of styles from naturally colored marbles to checkered tiles to elegant woods.

"Consumers are gravitating toward natural looks," says Joe Amato, vice president of styling at Mannington. "They want their vinyl floor to look like real stone or stone, and thanks to new technology, we're able to offer that to them."

Another attractive and durable flooring type is laminate. The realistic appearance and texture of today's new laminate flooring makes it a popular choice with homeowners.

Innovative technology has brought this floor to new heights: beveled edges on wood-look planks, and three-dimensional texture on slate looks, that are so real, you have to bend down and feel it to know it's not the real thing. And these floors are also exceptionally low-maintenance — just sweeping and occasional spot-cleaning is all you need to do.

Just because the cooler weather might force you inside doesn't mean you have to abandon the ambience of the outdoors. To help bring the outside in, choose a real hardwood floor as the perfect backdrop for any décor. For contemporary chic, choose the modern appeal of Mannington Bamboo. Or, if you prefer a richer look, try a more traditional wood like cherry or a hand-dipped hickory.

So, redecorate this fall — the perfect time for a transition. Give your home a whole new look. ... *By Metro News Service*

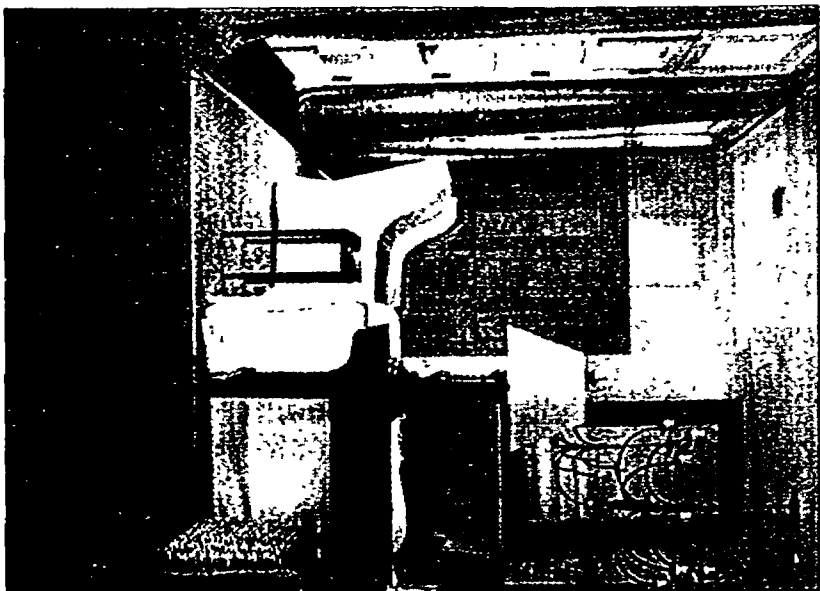


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A real hardwood floor brings the beauty of nature indoors and gives a warm, inviting appeal to any room.

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Keep kids safe while remodeling

Remodeling brings workers into homes filled with curious and energetic youngsters. The National Association of the Remodeling Industry offers the following tips to help keep children out of harm's way during a remodel.

- **Communication is key**
Tell your remodeling contractor about your kids and if they're misbehaving. Also, discuss where tools and materials will be stored, who will be responsible for locking up and what sections of wall or floor can be covered at the end of the day.
- **Talk with the kids**
Discuss when the workers will be in the house and make changes to the young ones are safely out of the workers' way.
- **Environmental hazards**
Review the risks of lead-based paint with the contractor or check with the EPA for guidelines to follow. If your remodel will involve hazardous chemicals, make sure there is proper ventilation. Consider a short getaway to allow the home to properly air out.
- **Windows and ladders**
Keep ladders away from open windows to help avoid children's temptation to explore.



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Save money with these HGTV tips

- Save money during a kitchen remodel by installing only lower cabinets and keeping the plumbing in place. In lieu of upper cabinets, showcase art, plates or other collections.
- Today's new glass countertops for the kitchen feature new textures, colors and unique treatments. The glossy look brings new design possibilities, while the glass is non-porous, requires no maintenance and is easy to clean.
- Painters can offer a variety of storage options for everything from food to paper products to help a family stay organized. Walk-in pantries are especially handy when a kitchen doesn't have many cabinets, but pantries don't necessarily need to be walk-ins. Built-in hutch style cabinetry with stainless steel shelves is a popular trend these days.

— *Cynthia Mann Service*

Save money for hidden costs

While hidden costs are things many homeowners have to expect when paying a contractor to renovate their home, do-it-yourselfers are also not immune to hidden costs.

Oftentimes, such projects are held up because a homeowner failed to expect the unexpected.

One of the more problematic and common hidden fees that many do-it-yourselfers run into is permit costs. While those fixing the interior of their home might not feel as though a permit is necessary, that's not always the case. Anytime any electrical, mechanical or plumbing work is involved, a permit is usually a requisite. In addition to paying for the permit, expect to pay an application fee as well. To avoid interrupting a project, it's always best to inquire as to any permits you might need and how much they might cost. In general, permit fees are contingent on the size of the project.

Another contingency any potential do-it-yourselfer should leave some money for is human error. Even the most skilled professional makes mistakes from time to time, and do-it-yourselfers should not expect their project to go off without a hitch.

For instance, a plumbing mistake could possibly result in flooding or significant water damage. You'll want to have some money available to fix such a problem immediately so your home is not damaged further and you can continue tackling your project.

— *By Metro News Service*

Use color, fabric to create tranquil home

"In our last-paced, hectic lives, we love to come home to a sanctuary, a place that provides fresh inspiration," says Jamie Drake, interior designer for New York City Mayor Michael Bloomberg and Madonn.

The award-winning Drake is known for his bold, fearless use of color. He calls it his device of choice. Drake's advice for today's overextended, over-stressed families, looking to color their living and family rooms in soothing hues?

"I envision a pastel-hued room featuring corals, leaf greens and light aqua. I love the sense of surprise and the bright, clean effect these colors achieve."

Garden Ottoman, a silky woven fabric from "In the Garden," a Waverly collection, comes in coral while a companion print, Serene Stripe, is available in Laurel. Add aqua walls.

Woodbury, Connecticut-based interior designer, author and color expert Elaine Ryan notes, "I think that color speaks a language all its own. As a result, you should choose colors for your home with your heart and not your head. Because color generates spiritual energy, when you live surrounded by the color you love, you experience a deep sense of well-being."

Drake says, "Color impacts mood. Happy color is conducive to joyful happenings."

To create this mood he suggests that you build on the lightest color in the palette and add bolder tones as accents. He warns, "An overly active palette will enhance jangled nerves." However, multiple patterns can play.

"Historically I haven't used a lot of pattern in my work," notes Drake, "but the return of pattern is a major trend. I'm making a herringbone with two scales of parsley in a current project," he says.

Another successful pairing of motifs includes Summer Splendor. A Waverly print with oversized orchids and rhododendron blossoms, lush foliage and ferns, and Garden Lattice.

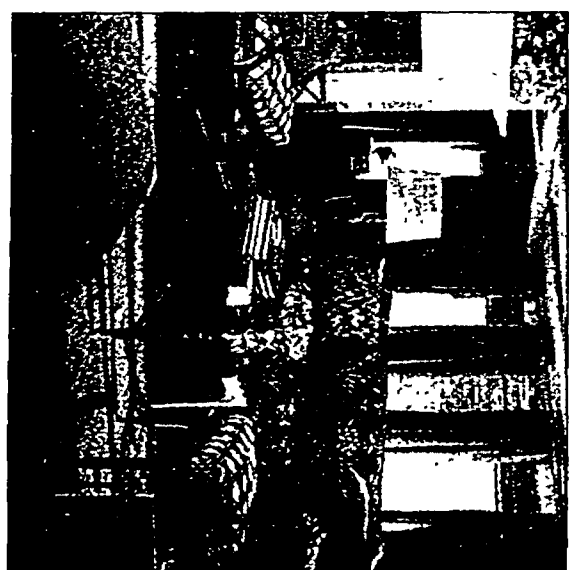


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Let your heart select the colors for your home. To enhance this space, Waverly combined Chocolate, Brick, Berry and Pebble hues in patterns such as Summer Splendor, Bobbados and Garden Lattice from "In the Garden," a bold, geometric textile reminiscent of a traditional garden motif.

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Penalties harsh, title companies are aware

Q. I am told that there was a class action suit that held that builders receiving a discount for owner's title insurance under an agreement or understanding that they refer purchasers of new homes to the title insurance companies being a violation of the law. Do you have any information about it?

A. Under Section 2607 (a) of RESPA, a federal statute, it is a violation for the builder to receive a discount or any other remuneration from the title insurance company for referring purchasers of new homes to the title insurance company.

Moreover, for a builder to receive a split of the charge for the lender's title insurance to purchasers of new homes is a violation of and title insurance companies are aware of these laws and should be mindful of them because of the harsh penalties potentially imposed on them.

Q. My parents, who are elderly, bought a co-op or at least thought they were buying a co-op and now find that they are merely renting their home from the co-operative association which in turn does not even own the land

under which the co-op is located but is paying on a 99 year lease. How do my parents get out of the deal?

A. I am familiar with the kind of real transaction with which your parents are involved and I believe it to be unconscionable for people to pay for a co-op unit to only find that they will never actually own a piece of the land on which the co-operative unit is located or, for that matter, the cooperative association will never realistically own the cooperative project but will continue to pay what is, in a sense, an annuity to the developer without any reasonable consideration in return. I would recommend that the members of the cooperative get together and commence a lawsuit against the developer to try to break the lease, among other things.

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Expo geared to help Realtors succeed personally, professionally

BY GREG MILLIN
STAFF WRITER

An upcoming expo aims to give Realtors a competitive edge and a boost in morale.

"It will not only help them in the industry, but maybe their everyday lives as well," said Karen Kage, chief executive officer of Realecomp II Ltd., which is the event sponsor.

The 2006 Tools of the Trade Expo will be held from 9 a.m. to 3:35 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 19, at the New Detroit Science Center in Detroit.

Realecomp, which provides real estate listings and property data to Michigan Realtors, is anticipating about 60 vendors and 1,000 attendees at the sixth annual event. The event — which is free to attend for Michigan Realtors and support personnel — includes vendor presentations, a catered lunch, giveaways and a grand-prize drawing for a Dell laptop computer.

"It's a nice variety of vendors and services, including our keynote speaker, that are all about customer service," Kage



said. "Also, how to feel good about your job and enjoy what you are doing."

"And it's a great opportunity for networking with other Realtors."

It may also be a source of motivation.

The keynote speaker is Carr Hagerman, the FISH! philosophy speaker and professional storyteller. Carr will describe how the upstart FISH! philosophy — which originated at a fish market in Seattle — can help create an energetic, unified and successful work environment.

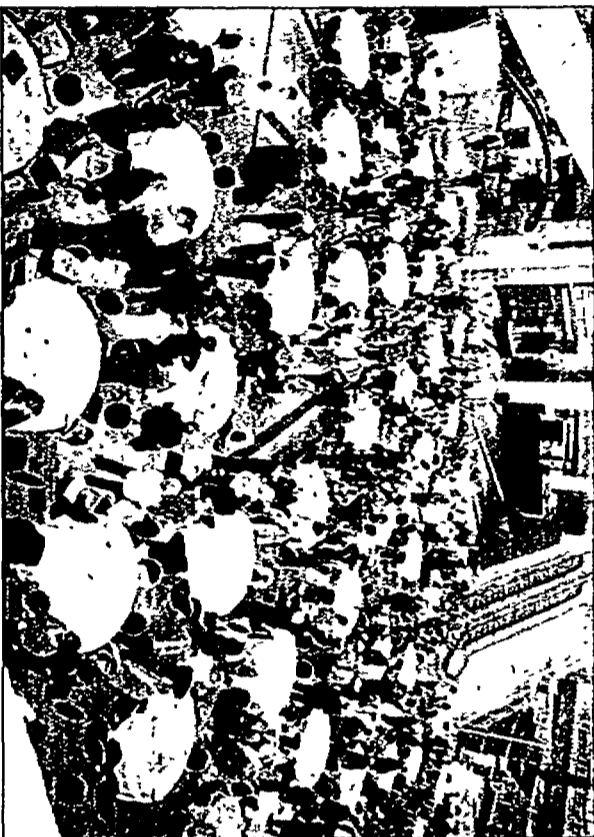
"A couple of years ago I attended a conference and watched a video on the FISH! philosophy," Kage said. "And I've been wanting to do something with them ever since."

Last year, the event was held at Ford Field in Detroit and drew about 800 attendees and fewer than 60 vendors. This year, the event moves to the New Detroit Science Center, 5020 John R. in Detroit, which houses a variety of science exhibits.

"The exhibits will be on display that day," Kage said. "That should make it a lot of fun."

Realecomp, which has approximately 15,000 Realtor subscribers, will preview new technology that it plans to make available to its members, including a new online scheduling system; a program that allows members to access multiple listing service (MLS) data wirelessly; and an online transaction management system.

For more information on the 2006 Tools of the Trade expo, visit www.realecompexpo.com or call (866) 553-3430.



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2006 TOOLS OF THE TRADE EXPO

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When: 9 a.m. to 3:35 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 19.

Cost: Free to attend for Michigan Realtors and support personnel.

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Watson to speak to MCAR members Nov. 2

Real estate speaker Terry Watson — appearing as part of the Speaker Series — headlines the Metropolitan Consolidated Association of Realtors REALTORS United! 2006 Annual Membership Meeting Nov. 2 at Petruzzello's in Troy.

Watson's appearance is just one of the notable items on the agenda, which also includes announcements of the 2007 Board of Director appointees, winners of the Realtor of the Year and Community Service honors and addresses by President Nancy J. Rands and President-Elect David Ely.

"We're very excited to have Terry Watson appearing at this year's membership meeting," Rands said. "He's a very dynamic, high-energy speaker who

I think will really captivate the audience."

Watson's appearance will address sales and marketing tips, the two most sought-after topics in polls taken through the MCAR School of Real Estate.

"Members are seeking tips for marketing property in today's market," MCAR Director of Education Lori Rebnak said. "And that is right up Terry's alley, so we're hoping everyone in attendance gets what they were looking for. I think they will."

Distinguished Real Estate Instructor (DREI) designation and annually speaks to hundreds — if not thousands — of real estate agents.

The meeting also includes coverage of industry and association news and events.

"We put a lot of care into the update delivered to members during the meeting," Rebnak said, "because it's important to let members know where the association is headed and to let them know how they can help get us there."

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Building Industry Association
The Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan is offering:
 ■ Effective Business Management Seminar, "Creating Sanctuary: Using Feng Shui & Design" 8:30-10:30 a.m. Tuesday, Oct. 17, at BIA headquarters, 30375 Northwestern Highway, Suite 100 in Farmington Hills. Susan Hallleigh of Environments & Energy will discuss developing sanctuary in site plans and home designs and model homes that outperform competing products. Continental breakfast is included. Fee is \$40 for BIA or Apartment

Association of Michigan members, \$60 for guests. To register, call (248) 862-1033.
 ■ Remodelers Council will have a "Know Thy Customer" seminar 6-8:30 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 18, at BIA headquarters, 30375 Northwestern Highway, Suite 100 in Farmington Hills. Rick Rithov of Mr. Fix It Building Co. will discuss how to fire bad customers, how to cut the number of clients in half yet double business, landing customers before competitors and knowing what customers are buying. Fee is \$30 for Remodelers Council members, \$40 for BIA or Apartment Association of Michigan members, \$50 for guests. To register, call (248) 862-1008.

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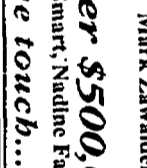
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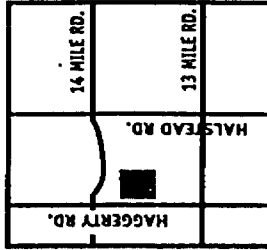
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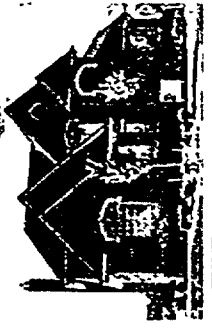
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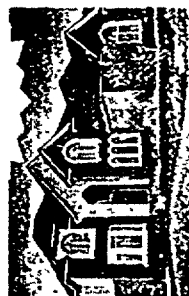
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Keith Grimwood, left, and Ezra Idlet are Trout Fishing in America.

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—Anne H., Haines City, Fla.

The only fishing done by the eclectic folk-rock act of Keith Grimwood and Ezra Idlet is "hooking" audiences for more than 20 years with their infectiously witty, wholesomely wacky songs. Named after a quirky 1968 novel by Richard Brautigan, the group has been nominated for two Grammy Awards and received high praise from several national parenting organizations. Often they record tunes they've co-written in workshops with kids, such as "Alien in My Nose" and "My Pants Fell Down" from their new CD, *My Best Day*.

Q Does Ted Nugent consider himself a rock star who hunts, or a hunter who rocks?
—H. Manley, Corvallis, Ore.

The Detroit-born Nugent wears both hats equally, and equally well. Half the year, he's a world-famous guitar slinger; the other half, he guides groups of customers to various hunting spots around the globe through his company, Sunrise Safaris. "If you want to get to know and appreciate the depth and integrity and soul of your fellow man," says Nugent, 57, "it is optimized at a campfire."



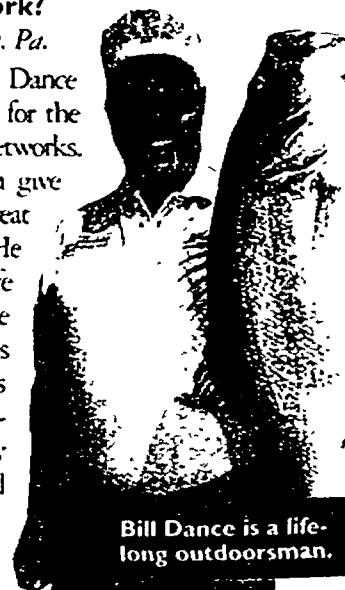
Rock star Ted Nugent

Q What can you tell me about Bill Dance on the Outdoor Life Network?

—Christopher Touns, Franklin, Pa.

A consummate outdoorsman, Dance has hosted *Bill Dance Outdoors* for the past 36 years for various networks. "The greatest gift anyone can give is an introduction to the great outdoors," says Dance, 65. He lives in Tennessee with his wife Dianne, away from city noise and lights. "I live with the frogs and the crickets, the snakes and the owls. We look at turkeys, deer and squirrels every day. There's something magical about the outdoors." ☆

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Wild about Waterfowl

After the rice fields are harvested and millions of ducks begin their annual migration south along the Mississippi River flyway, John Stephens can be found sitting in a camouflaged blind on his father's farm east of Stuttgart, Ark. (pop. 9,745), awaiting the familiar quack of migrating mallards.

"I always look forward to it," says Stephens, 33, of the fall hunting season. "I like to communicate with the birds and see how they react to the call."

Stuttgart, the self-proclaimed Rice and Duck Capital of the World, is home to Riceland Foods—the world's largest rice miller and marketer—and each year thousands of sportsmen and women converge on the town to participate in the fall hunt and attend the World's Championship Duck Calling Contest.

Last November, Stephens won the championship for the third time, outperforming 70 of the nation's best duck callers in the oldest and most prestigious event of its kind. Held annually since 1936, the contest today is part of the weeklong Wings Over the Prairie Festival, featuring a Queen Mallard pageant, duck gumbo cookoff and youth duck calling clinics.

In short, Stuttgart is wild about waterfowl, and townspeople take great pride in the community's claims to fame. The Stuttgart High School mascot is the Ricebird; the city maintains farming and waterfowl exhibits at the Museum of the Arkansas Grand Prairie; and visitors can lodge at the Best Western Duck Inn or shop at Mack's Prairie Wings, the nation's premier waterfowl outfitter.

Surrounded by thousands of acres of flooded rice fields and

Queen Mallard
Meredith McGee
and John Stephens
with his trophy



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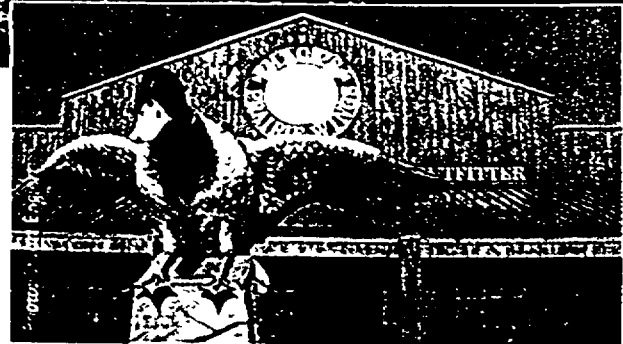
Young duck callers practice quacking in Stuttgart, Ark. wooded wetlands, Stuttgart is a haven for waterfowl and hunters alike. Flocks of ducks and geese feast on grain that harvesters leave behind, and truckloads of hunters pour onto nearby farms and wildlife refuges to pursue the birds during a season that generally begins in mid-November and continues through January.

Migrating waterfowl have been drawn to the hardwood bottomlands of eastern Arkansas for eons, using the secluded backwaters of the Arkansas, Cache and White rivers to feed and rest on their journey south.

"Water is the most important thing for ducks," says Larry Mallard, manager of the 160,000-acre White River National Wildlife Refuge, 25 miles east of Stuttgart. "They've got to have water. Water sustains them."

When farmers began planting rice on the Grand Prairie in the early 1900s, the grain-loving waterfowl had a reason to land on the flooded fields around Stuttgart. At first, the marauding birds were considered pests for eating the farmers' grain, but soon townspeople began catering to the sportsmen who came to hunt the enormous flocks of migrating mallard, gadwall, pintail and wigeon.

Among the first was the late M.T. "Mack" McCollum, the 1911 world duck calling champion who began selling sporting goods at his hardware store in the 1930s. By 1944 his trade with waterfowl hunters became



A mallard greets customers at Mack's Prairie Wings.

so brisk that he opened a separate sporting goods store. "It's been said that it was the first full-line sporting goods store," says Marion McCollum, 64, son of the store's founder.

Today, Mack's Prairie Wings sells everything for hunters, from battery-operated duck decoys to Winchester shotgun shells, in a 32,000-square-foot store north of town. The store also carries duck calls manufactured by John Stephens, last year's world champion duck caller.

"The mallard is the only duck that makes a quack," says Stephens, the owner of Rich-N-Tone Duck Calls. "The other species make a whistle or other sound."

In a few weeks, Stephens will get to demonstrate his award-winning skills, teaching his children—Reese, 6, and Riley, 1—the finer points of quacking. It's a ritual that happens each fall in duck blinds around Stuttgart. ☆

The Wings Over the Prairie Festival is scheduled Nov. 22-26. For more information, visit www.stuttgartarkansas.org or call (870) 673-1602.

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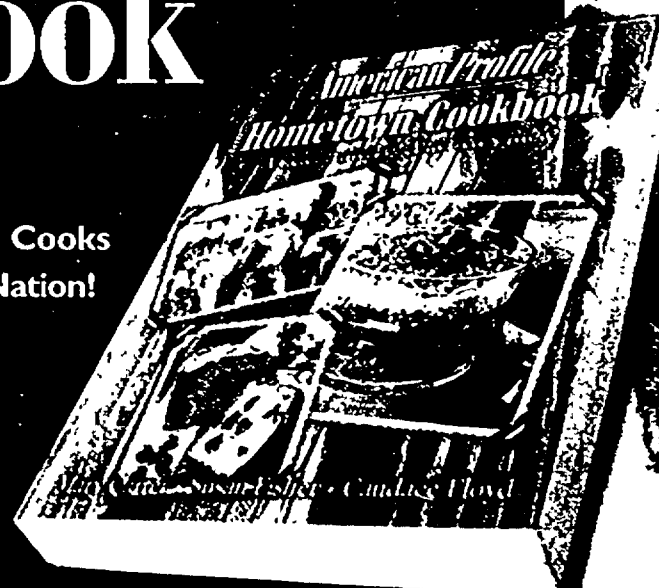


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| 2 tablespoons vegetable oil | 2 large red potatoes, cubed |
| 1 large onion, coarsely chopped | 1 package (16 oz.) peeled baby carrots |
| 1 large green or red bell pepper, cut in cubes | 1 tablespoon chili powder |
| 2 large celery stalks, cut in 1/2-inch slices | 2 teaspoons garlic salt |
| 3 cloves garlic, minced | 1 teaspoon ground cumin |
| 1 can (14 oz.) beef broth | |

BROWN venison cubes in oil in an 8-quart saucepan over medium-high heat, stirring occasionally. Remove venison from pan; drain. **ADD** onion, bell pepper, celery and garlic to pan, cook 3 to 5 minutes, stirring occasionally until almost tender. Return venison to pan. **STIR** in beef broth, tomatoes, potatoes, carrots and spices; bring to a boil. Reduce heat to low. **COVER** and simmer over low heat 1 to 1 1/2 hours or until meat is tender, stirring occasionally.

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RECIPE: Devil's Lake Potatoes



Devil's Lake Potatoes

- 4 baking potatoes, quartered
- 4 tablespoons butter
- 1 large onion, quartered
- 1 garlic clove, minced
- Seasoned salt, to taste

Divide potato quarters, butter, onion and garlic equally and place in the center of four pieces of heavy-duty aluminum foil. Wrap tightly and grill for about 1 hour or until potatoes are soft. These potatoes also can be roasted in a 425F oven for about 1 hour. Serves 4.

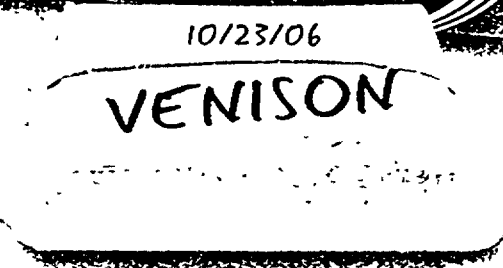
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Richard Larson

TREKKING THE TRIPLE CROWN

Richard Larson thought he'd seen nearly all the obstacles possible when he hiked the 2,175-mile Appalachian Trail in 2004 and the 2,650-mile Pacific Crest Trail in 2005. He'd fought off mosquitoes and black flies, endured raw, blistered feet, and coped with driving spring rainstorms and sweltering summer heat.

Then in June, during the first few days of his 3,100-mile trek along the Continental Divide Trail, Larson had to cross a precarious snow bridge over a turbulent stream in Glacier National Park in Montana, encountered 50-mph winds that shredded a friend's rain poncho, and stumbled within 10 feet of a black bear and her cubs.

Richard Larson pauses along the Continental Divide Trail.



"That was kind of spooky, but fortunately, the momma bear and cubs ran away," says Larson, 33, of Fairbanks, Alaska.

Larson, a former copy editor and sports writer for the *Fairbanks Daily News-Miner*, truly enjoys the life of a long-distance hiker. He got so much satisfaction from his first two long-distance hikes that he decided to attempt the longer and more difficult Continental Divide Trail, which follows the rugged Rocky Mountain chain from Montana to New Mexico.

If he completes the five-month trek to the Mexican border, Larson will join an elite group of fewer than 50 people who have achieved the "Triple Crown" of American long-distance hiking.

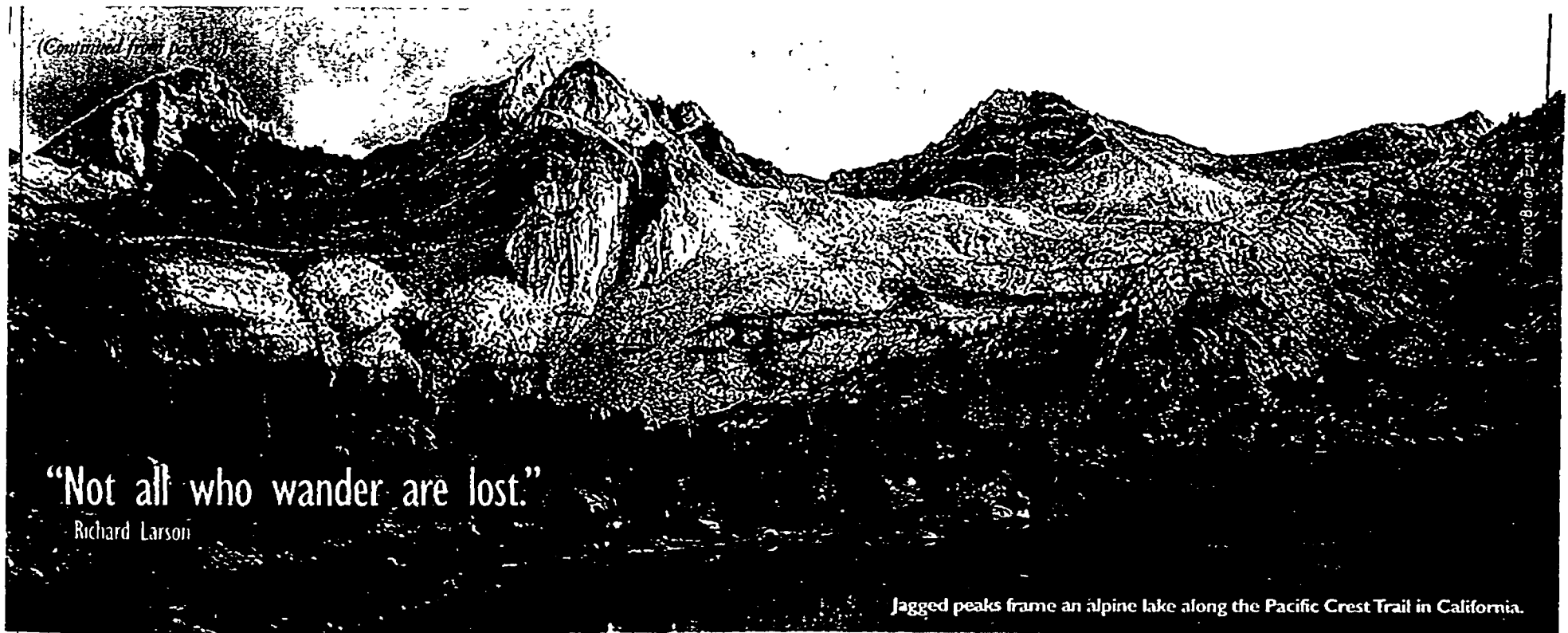
But the final leg—a grueling journey through the most mountainous terrain in the lower 48 states—won't be a walk in the park. The route is not nearly as well-maintained or marked as the other two long-distance trails, there's a greater risk of running into grizzly bears and other wild animals, and he needs to get past Colorado's 14,000-foot peaks before winter snows pile up, closing mountain passes.

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Larson hikes about 20 miles each day.

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"Not all who wander are lost."

Richard Larson

Jagged peaks frame an alpine lake along the Pacific Crest Trail in California.

Still, Larson is determined to complete the journey by hiking about 20 miles a day at a pace of about 2.5 to 3 mph, meaning he typically hikes 9 to 10 hours each day. Along the route, he's likely to encounter adverse weather, snow and rockslides, pesky bugs and poisonous snakes. Still, Larson sees an upside to toting a 45-pound backpack through some of the nation's most magnificent terrain.

"It's a great way to see America and learn about America," he says. "I love seeing something new every day."

Natural splendor

During his hikes, Larson has seen the natural splendor of the nation. He's wandered the rolling woodlands of Shenandoah National Park in northern Virginia, traipsed through wildflower-covered meadows in Yellowstone National Park in western Wyoming and scaled the heights of California's 14,494-foot Mount Whitney, the tallest peak in the continental United States.

Along the Idaho-Montana border, Larson stood astride the Great Divide, where the waters on the eastern slope flow toward the Gulf of Mexico and those on the western slope flow to the Pacific Ocean. At night, he slept under the stars, and on crisp, clear mornings, he had the thrill of seemingly standing atop the world and seeing 100 miles in every direction.



Photo: Kurt Wilson

Larson enjoys sharing those moments with other long-distance hikers, such as Matti Urlass, 29, a civil engineer from Bonn, Germany, and Serh Schumacher, 17, of Livingston, Mont., who just graduated from high school. The three hikers met on the Internet, convened along the U.S.-Canada border in June, and shared food, hiking gear and companionship as they traversed the nation's backbone.

"I love the culture of long-distance hikers," Larson says. "You get to see the generosity of the human spirit that you don't necessarily see in the real world."

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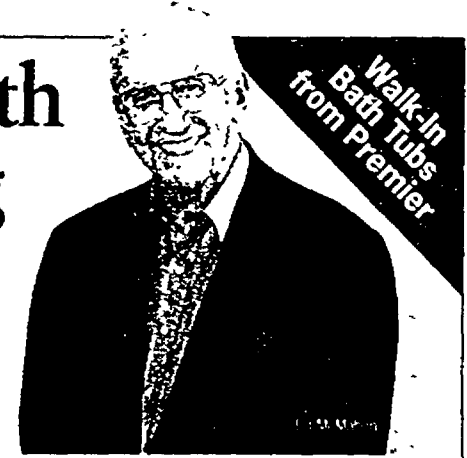
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About 30 people attempt to hike the Continental Divide Trail each year, compared with 3,000 who pursue the Appalachian Trail and 300 who try the Pacific Crest Trail.



A snack inspired Larson's nickname.

Vashon, Wash., trail operations director for the Pacific Crest Trail Alliance.

"There have been plenty of people who have started thru-hikes with no special

While long-distance hikers come from many walks of life, they share common characteristics. They are goal-oriented people who are highly motivated to complete a grueling journey. They may or may not be in particularly good physical shape or have trained a great deal beforehand. Surprisingly, advance training may not make that much difference, says Mike Dawson, of

type of training, and they've been quite successful. And there have been others who did have tons of training and were not successful," Dawson says. "The people who have been successful have the ability to get up day after day, and hike all day, knowing they've got months to go, and then get up the next day, and do it again."

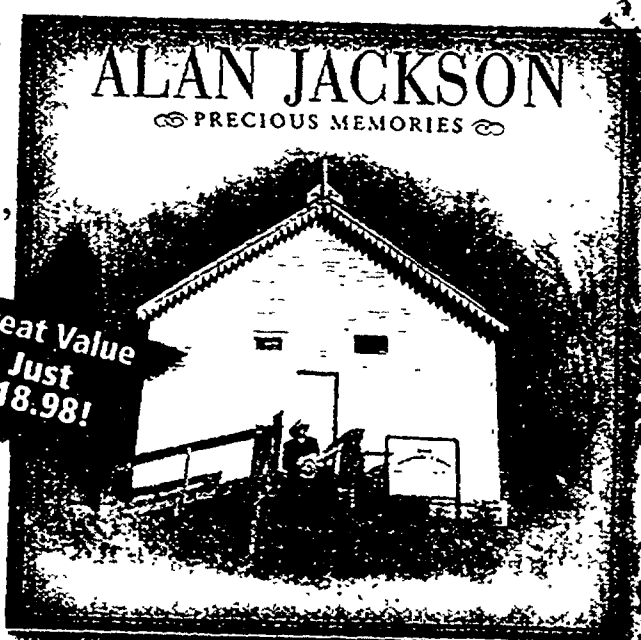


Larson and his hiking companions cross a mountain meadow along the Idaho-Montana border.

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Hike, eat, sleep

A quintessential example of a devoted hiker is "Flyin'" Brian Robinson, 45, of Mountain View, Calif., who in 2001 became the first person to complete all three legs of the Triple Crown—a total of 7,371 miles—in a calendar year.

Last year, British hiker Matt Hazley, 26, bested Robinson's achievement by completing the Triple Crown of hiking in 240 days, the fastest time ever recorded. He averaged 40 miles a day, and didn't run down the trail. Too dangerous, he thought. He got started each day at 6 or 7 a.m., hiked for 14 hours, ate dinner and went to bed.

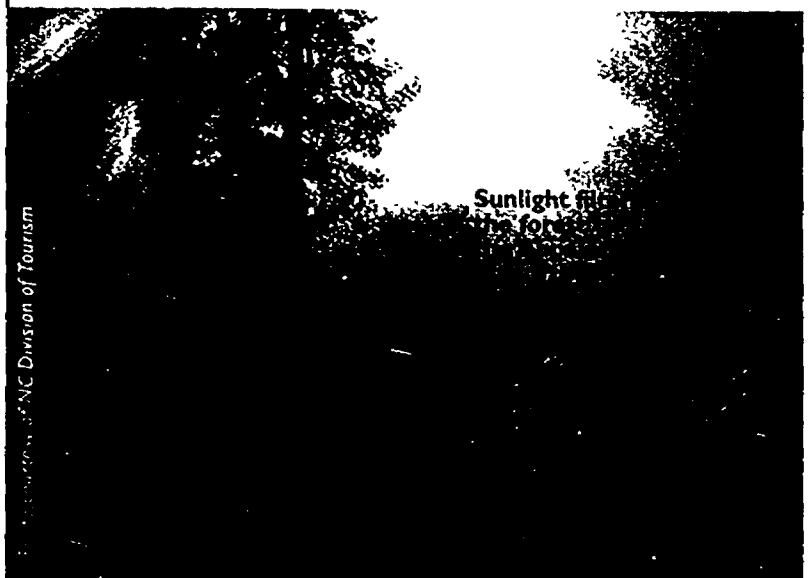
"It's only tough if you let it get tough," Hazley says. "As long as you stay focused, no matter how tough it gets, you'll reach your goal."

To complete a long-distance hike requires a lot of planning. Larson saved about \$4,000 for the Continental Divide trek, budgeting a little more than \$1 per mile. He arranged mail and food drops at businesses and post offices in Mack's Inn, Idaho; South Pass, Wyo.; Twin Lakes, Colo.; and Abiquiu and Pie Town, N.M. His sister, Dawn, in Hinckley, Minn., works as his support crew, mailing critical items—such as new hiking shoes—along the way.

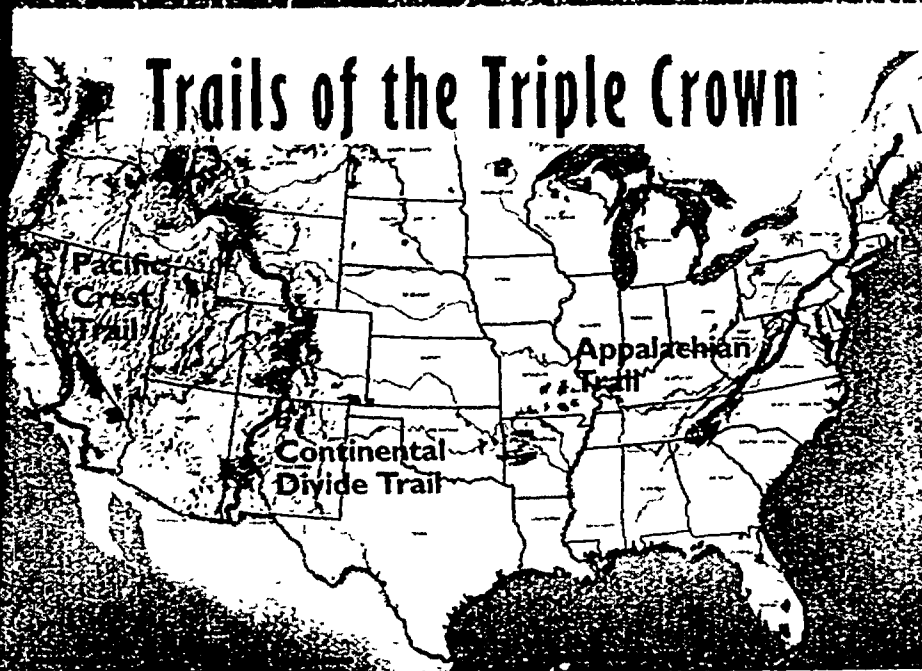
He ordered guidebooks and maps for each section of the trail last winter and studied them in great detail. Once he completes a section of the trail, he tosses the old maps and field guides and receives new ones at his next mail drop. He carries a global-positioning system device to help him stay on the path. He packs lightweight food such as Ramen noodles, Lipton soups, tortilla wraps, Carnation instant breakfast drinks, Power bars, crackers and cheese, and his favorite snack, Skittles.



Brian Robinson hails his Triple Crown feat.



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which became his trail name. He also takes Flintstone vitamins.

To finish the Continental Divide Trail by early November, Larson plans to hike at his own pace, and if he gets separated from his friends for a while, he won't fret. He'll catch up. "Hike your own hike" is the mantra of long-distance hikers and it works.

Weight loss program

One of the best things that Larson likes about long-distance hiking is losing weight. He's not that athletic of a guy, he says, and during the off-season tends to put on pounds. He lost 79 pounds on his Appalachian Trail (AT) hike and 62 pounds on the Pacific Crest Trail (PCT).

"I started the AT at 293 pounds and finished it at 214," he says in his trip journal. "I started the PCT at 260 and finished it at 198. I've been running and swimming over the winter in Fairbanks to try to keep my weight down during my six-month hiatus from hiking."

When Larson strode into Colorado in late August, he was cruising on the

trail. Most of the excess weight was gone, and he was doing what he loved to do most—hiking along with his newfound friends and enjoying life in, perhaps, its simplest form.

Finishing the Triple Crown will be most satisfying, Larson says, because of the hardships and uncertainties along the trail. But the rewards are big. Around every corner is an inspiring vista or spectacular mountain scenery, forever etched into Larson's memory.

For some hikers, the trail is a journey of personal discovery; for others it's just plain fun.

"Not all who wander are lost," Larson says. ☆

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Working at his kitchen table bathed in natural light, Tony Smith of Holland, Mich. (pop. 35,048), skillfully carves a piece of basswood the size of his thumb into a lure so beautiful—and valuable—that it will never be used to hook a fish, only a collector.

"I like creating something that will outlive me," says Smith, 60, about the lures and spearfishing decoys that he has handcrafted for 33 years.

Wood shavings, some as delicate as threads, curl from his knife as a tiny brook trout takes shape in his hands. With precision cuts, he slices grooves for copper fins and drills 1/64th-inch holes on the fish's sides, mouth and tail for hooks and propellers. He sands and seals the wood, primes it, then paints—eight coats in all—the red, green and yellow markings of a genuine brook trout. Strung on a wire to dry,

Whittling a lure into shape

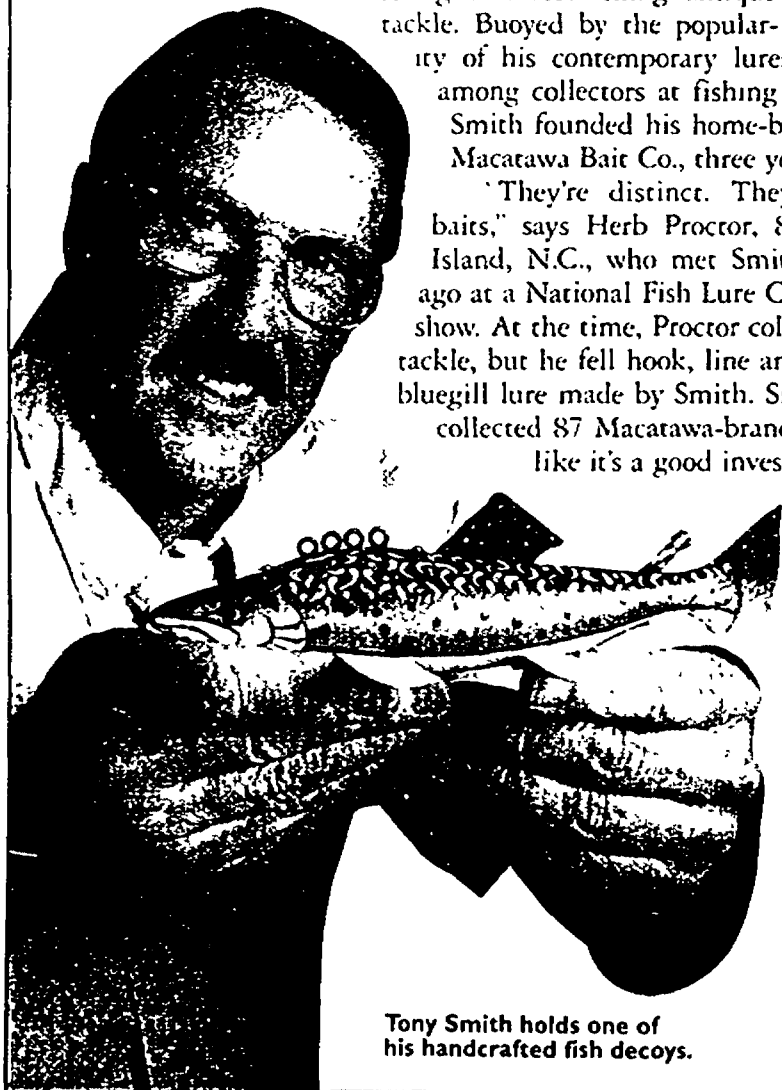
Smith's realistic lures resemble a good day's catch in miniature.

Each masterpiece he creates, from the 2-inch trout lures to the foot-long frog decoys—used for spearing fish through a hole in a frozen lake—features glass eyes, handmade copper or brass parts, and sometimes hardware salvaged from antique tackle. The jointed wiggly-legged frog has 30 parts.

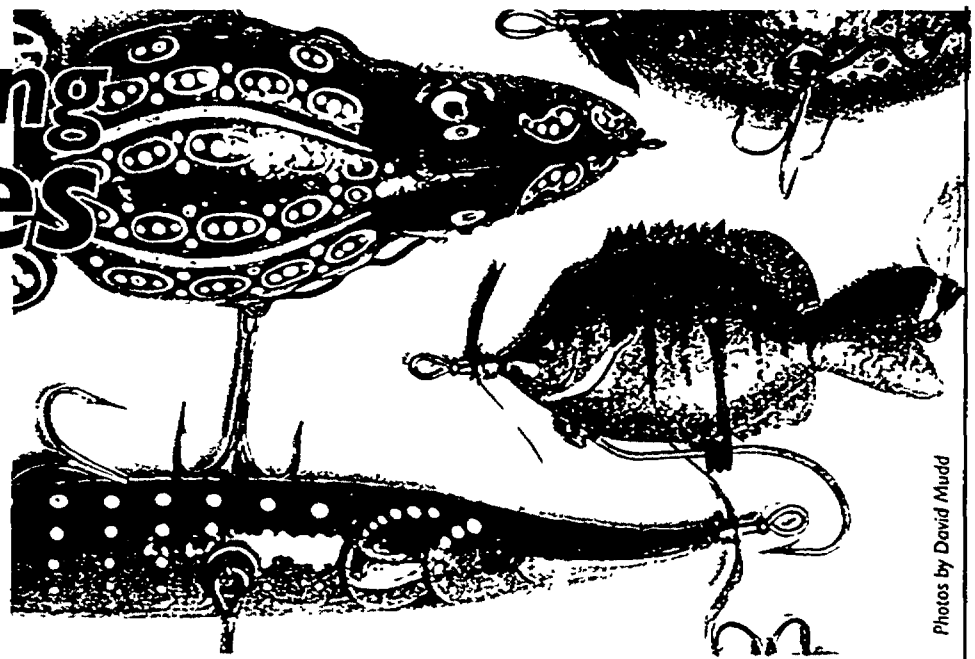
Smith, a retired engineer, began carving lures and decoys in 1973 as a hobby that combined his love of fishing with collecting and researching antique tackle. Buoyed by the popularity of his contemporary lures

among collectors at fishing tackle shows, Smith founded his home-based business, Macatawa Bait Co., three years later.

"They're distinct. They're beautiful baits," says Herb Proctor, 80, of Topsail Island, N.C., who met Smith eight years ago at a National Fish Lure Collectors Club show. At the time, Proctor collected antique tackle, but he fell hook, line and sinker for a bluegill lure made by Smith. Since then, he's collected 87 Macatawa-brand baits. "I feel like it's a good investment."



Tony Smith holds one of his handcrafted fish decoys.



Photos by David Mudd

Prices range from \$85 to \$200, depending on the size and amount of work invested in each lure. Smith devotes up to six hours carving and painting a 6-inch lure, while creating a 20-inch decoy may take several days.

Along with fish lures and decoys, Smith carves replicas of trophy-size catches based on photographs and measurements supplied by the angler. In June, he completed a reproduction of a 35-pound, 55-inch-long tiger muskellunge for a fisherman who paid \$700 for the wooden keepsake.

Each year, Smith makes about 70 of what he calls the "world's most expensive lures": exquisite wooden beetles, crawfish, grasshoppers, perch, pumpkinseed, catfish, turtles and whimsical species, such as patriotic red, white and blue frogs and fish. He sells and swaps them, along with rare antique lures from his collection of 2,000, at shows across the nation. Sometimes he buys back his own early creations, when he can afford

them, for their sentimental value.

"I bought a frog back and had to pay three times as much" as I sold it for, Smith says.

When he's not carving lures, Smith's favorite pastime is fishing. Once or twice a week, he and his buddies fish for walleye, salmon and sheepshead from a pier on Lake Michigan, a few miles from his home.

And what does the artistic lure maker pack along for bait?

"Worms," Smith says. "I mainly use live bait." ☆

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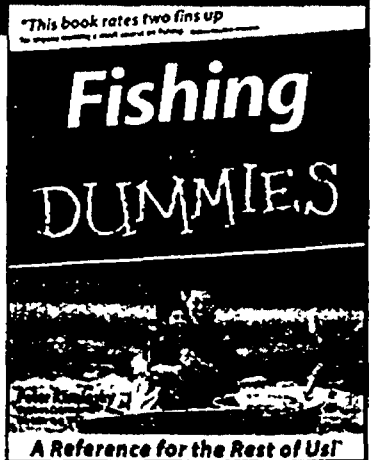
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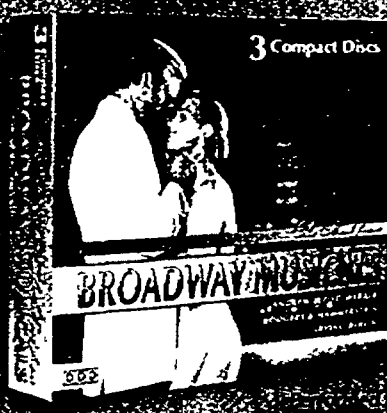
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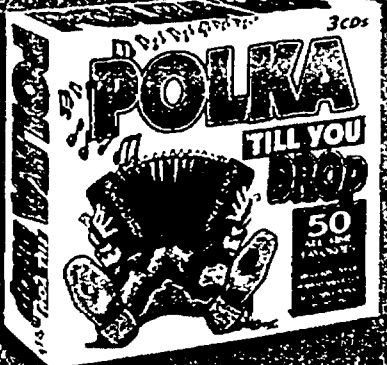
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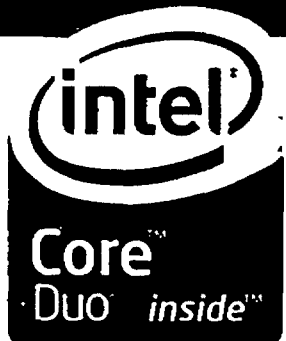
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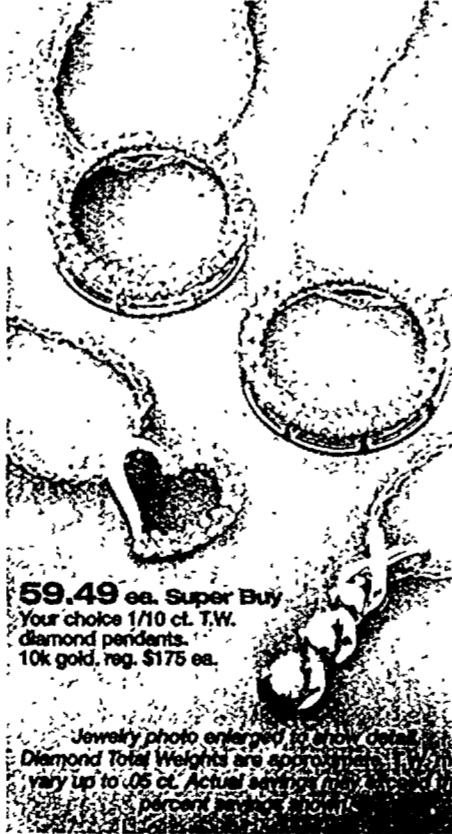
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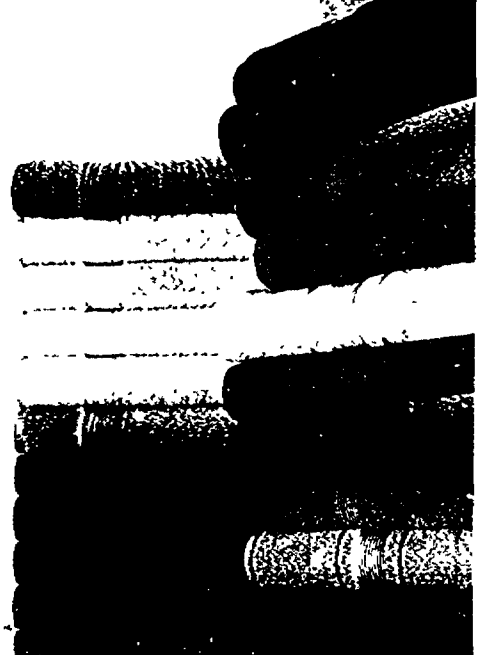
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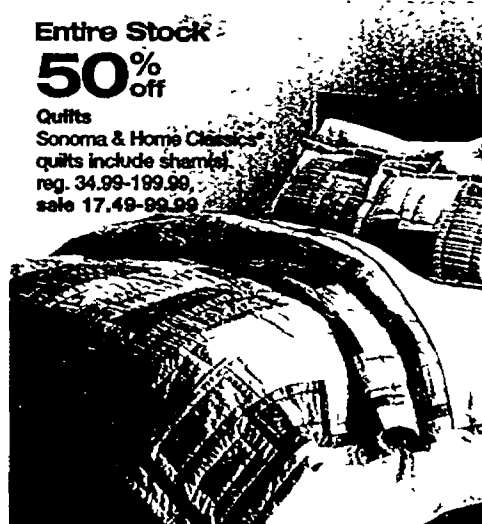
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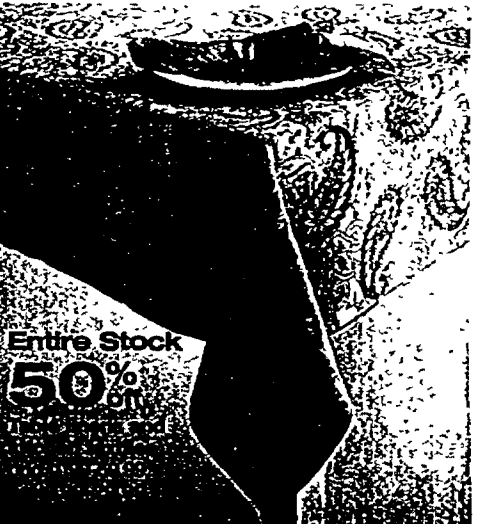
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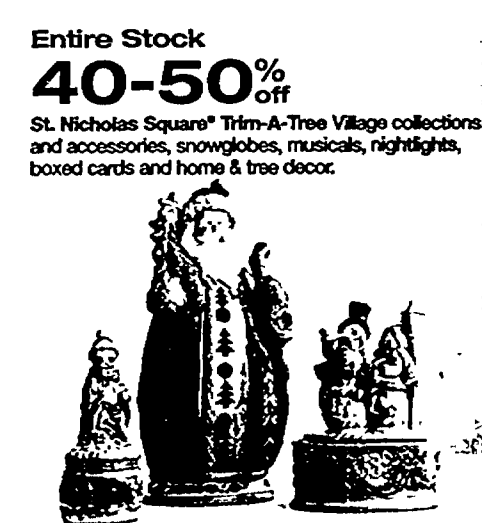
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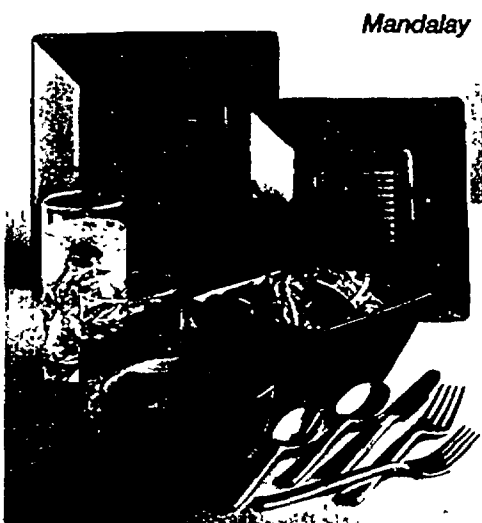
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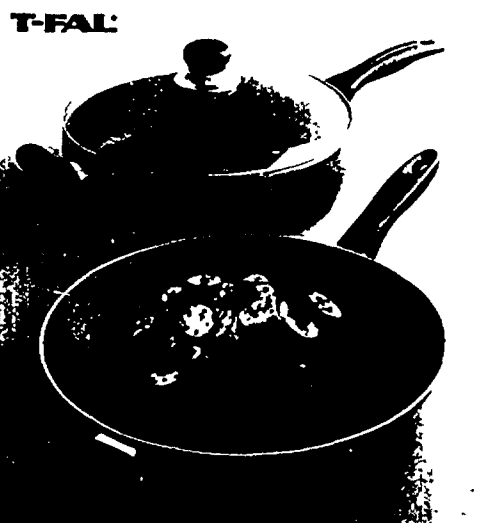
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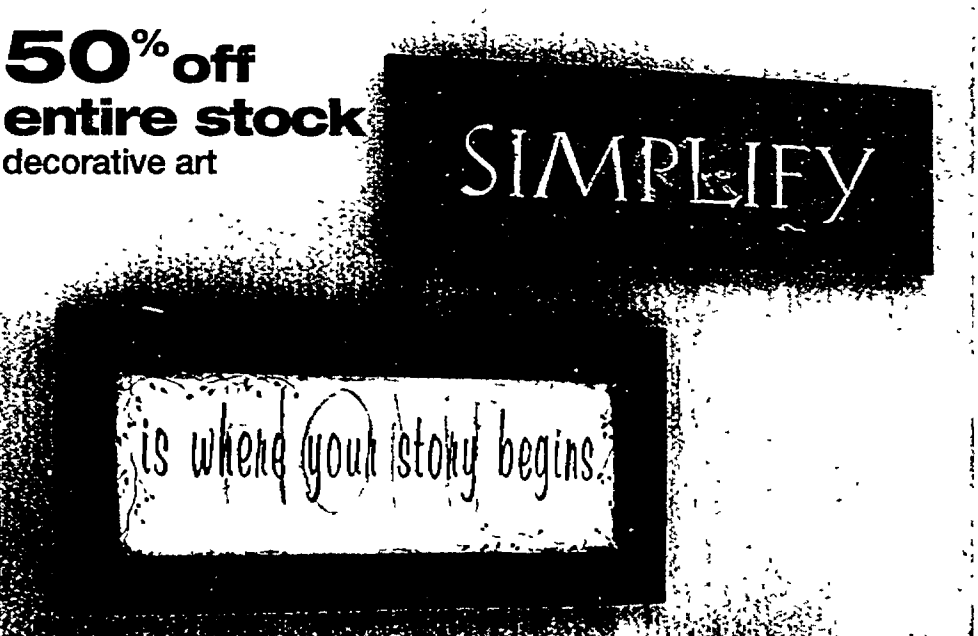
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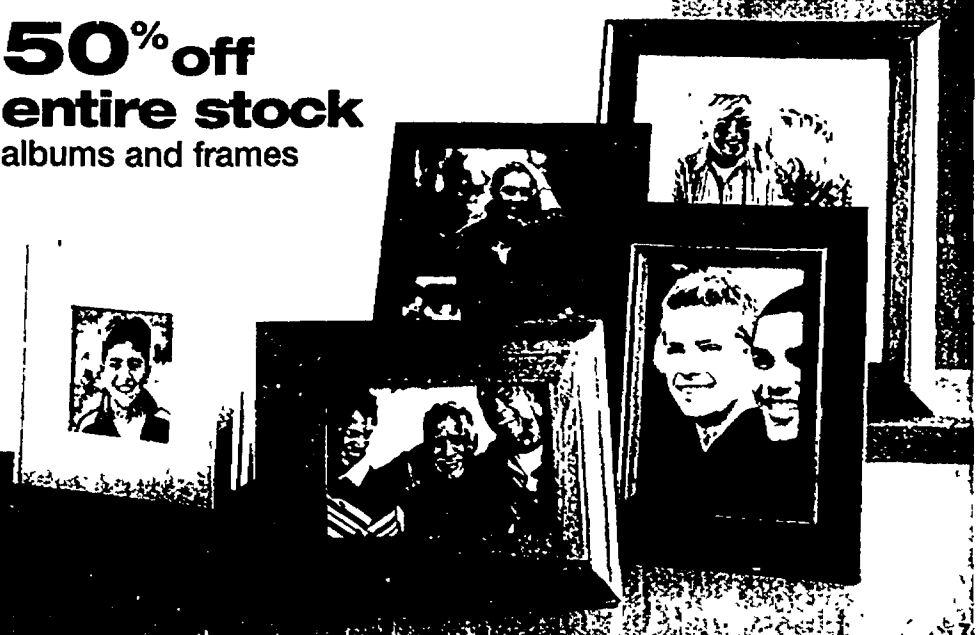


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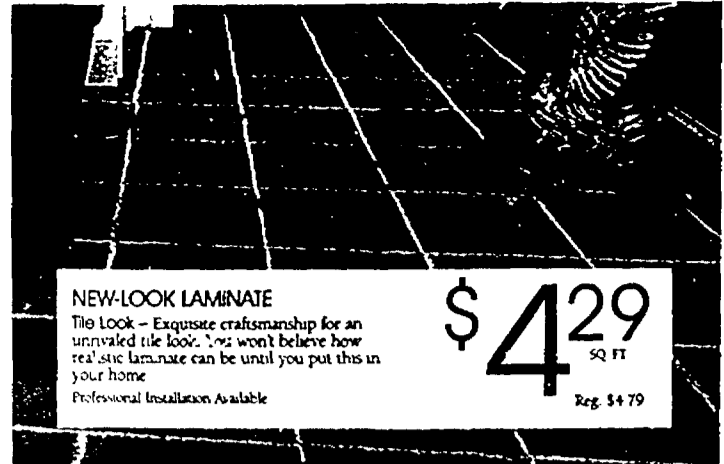
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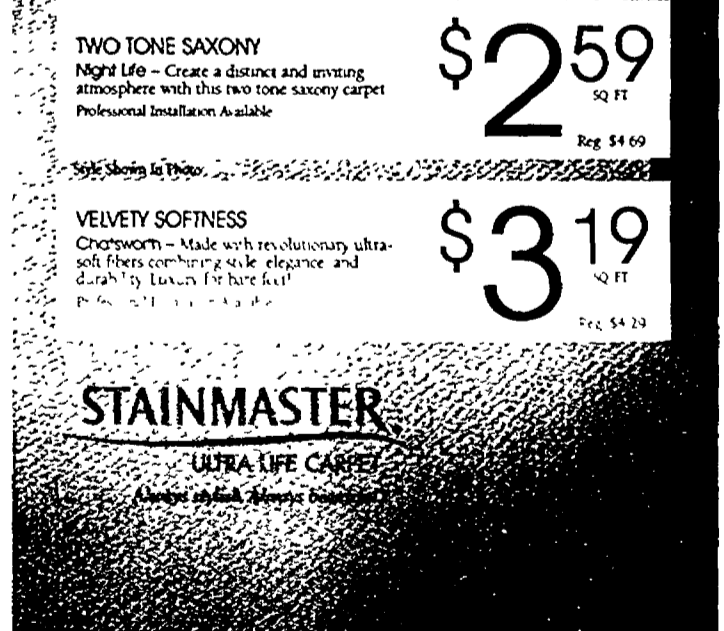
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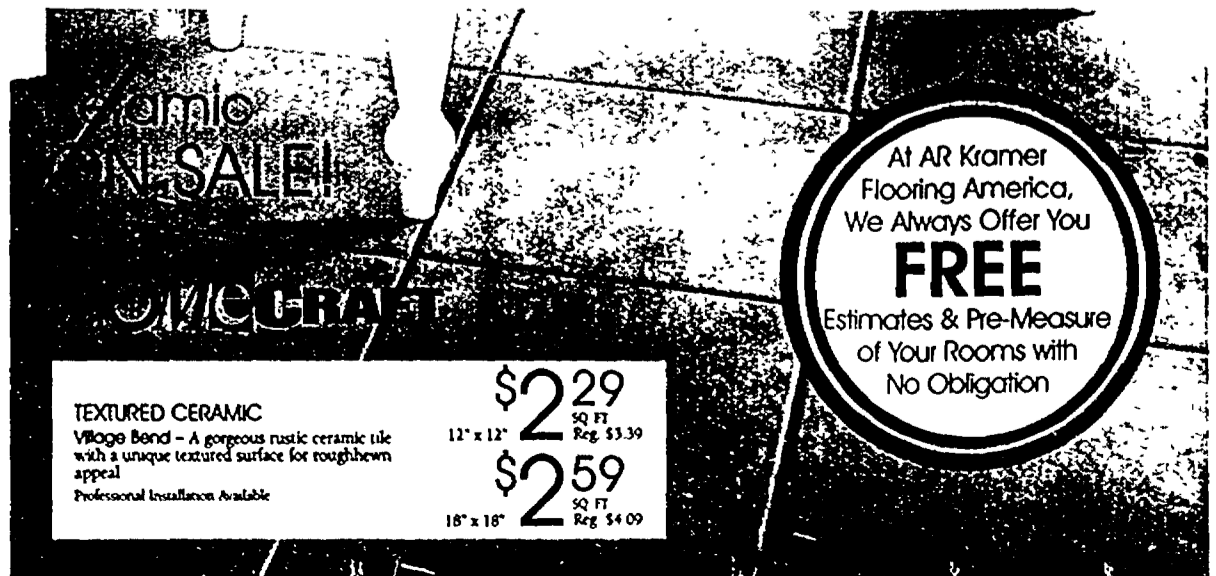


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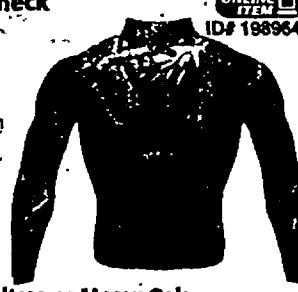
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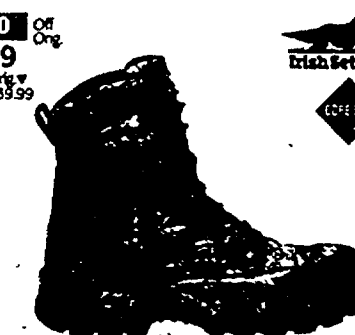
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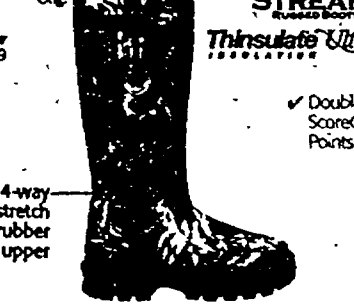
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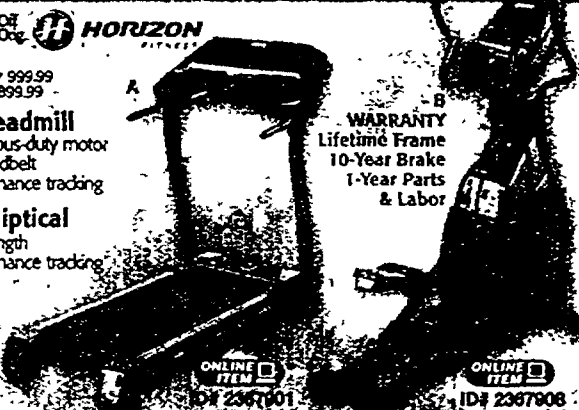
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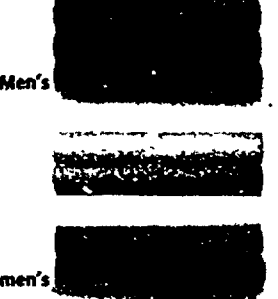
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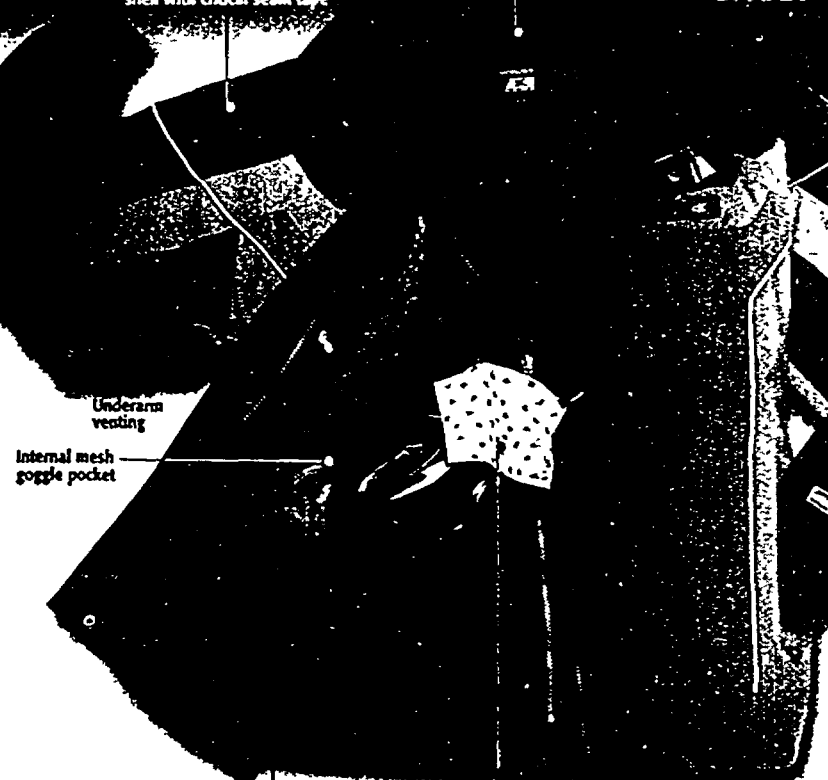
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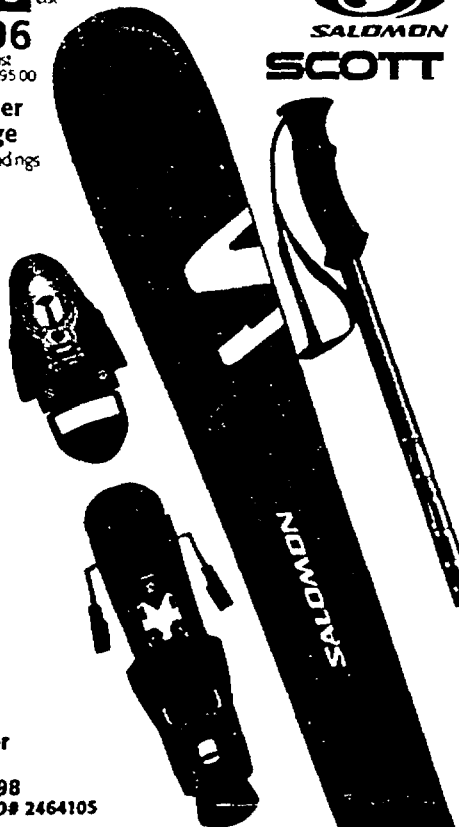
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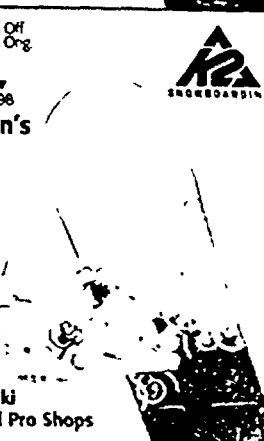
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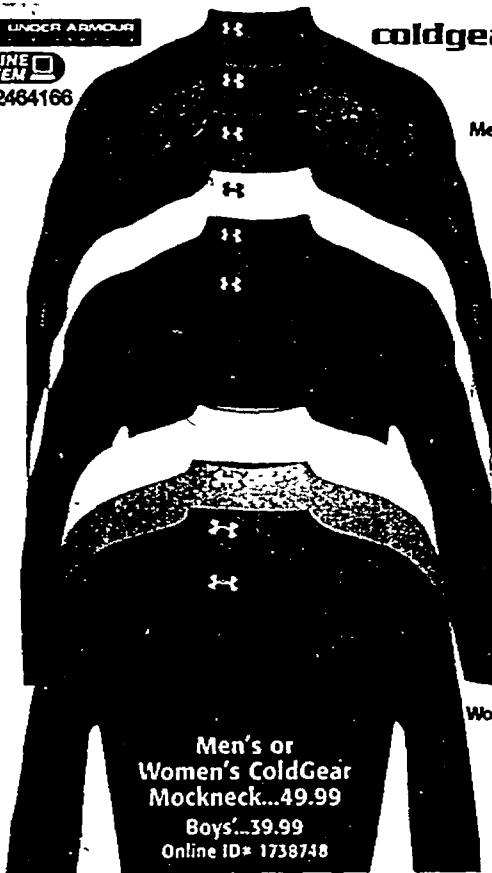
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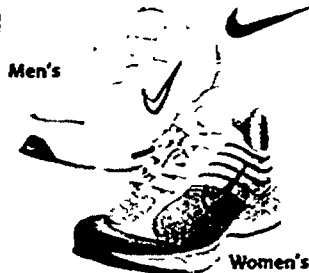


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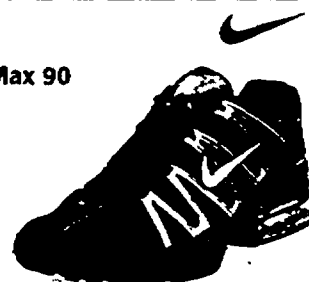
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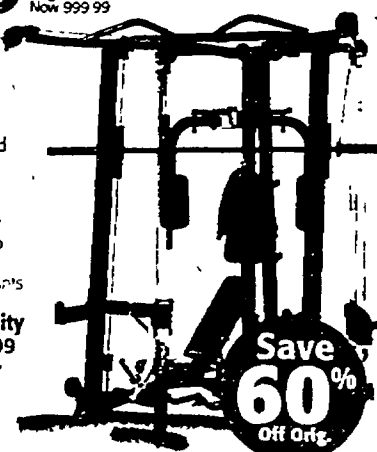
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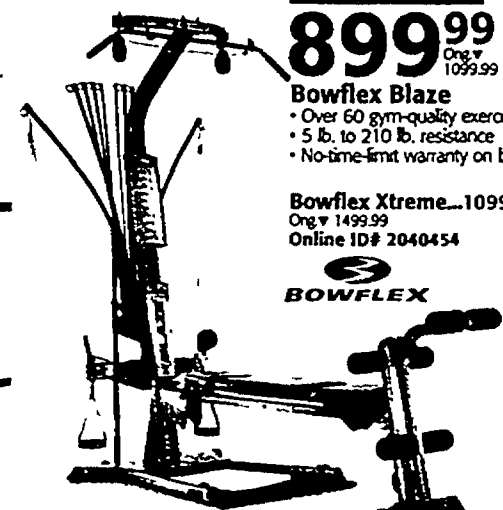
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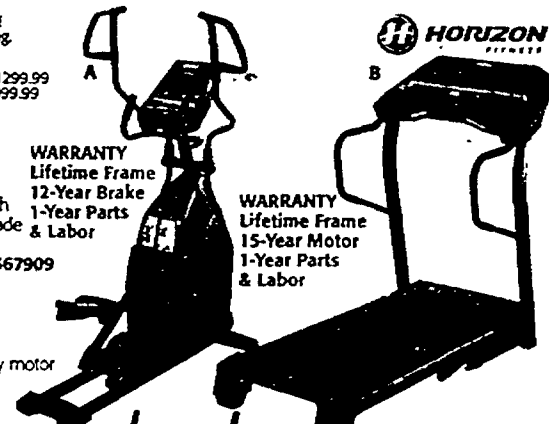
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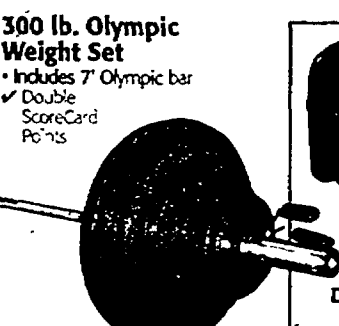
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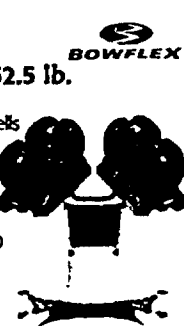
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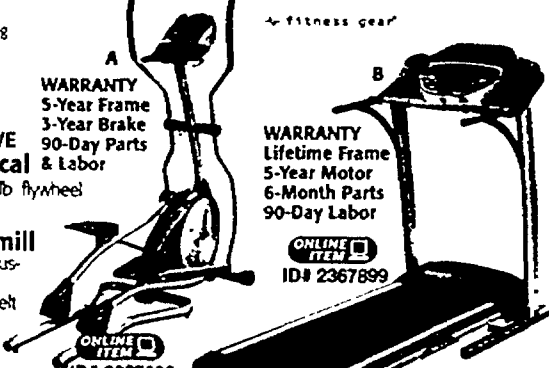
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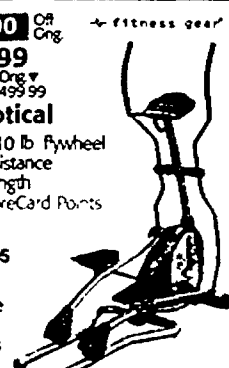
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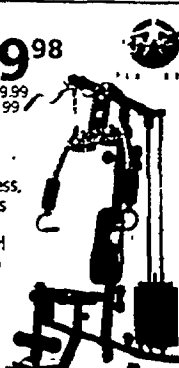


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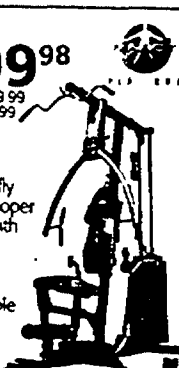


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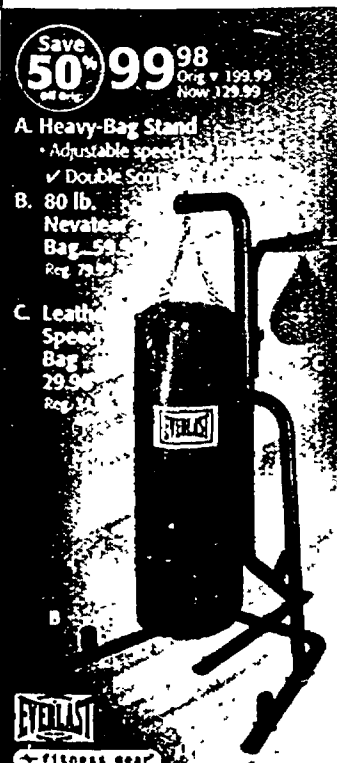
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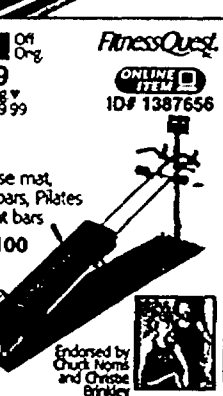
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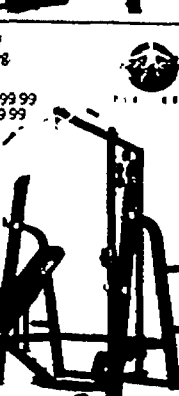
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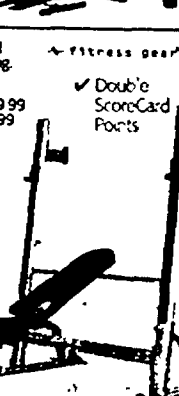


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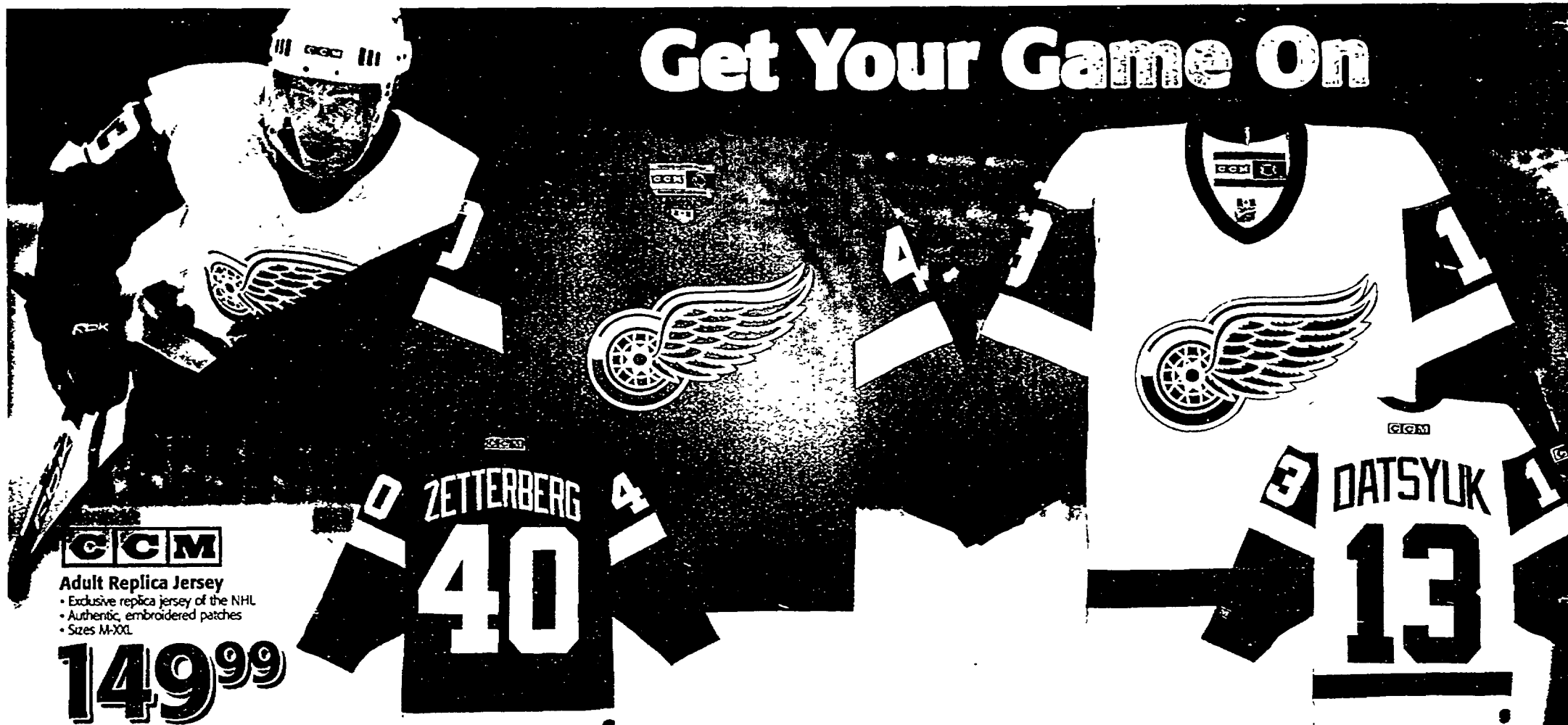


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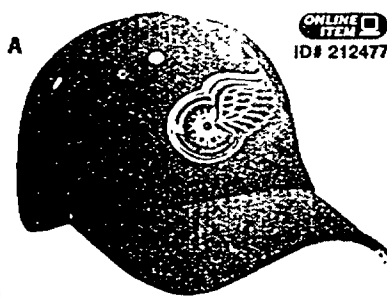
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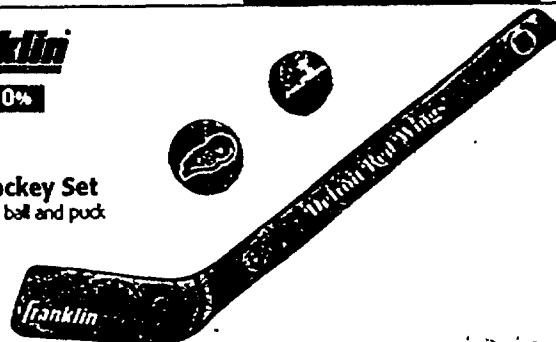
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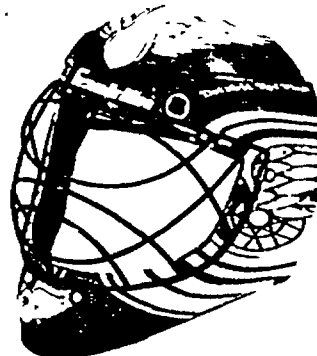
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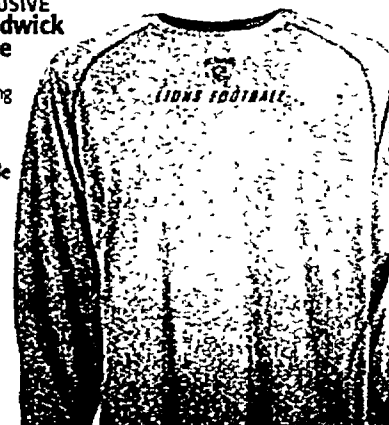


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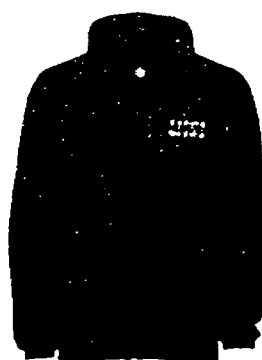
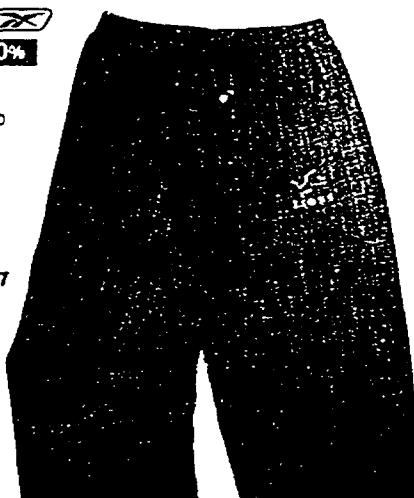
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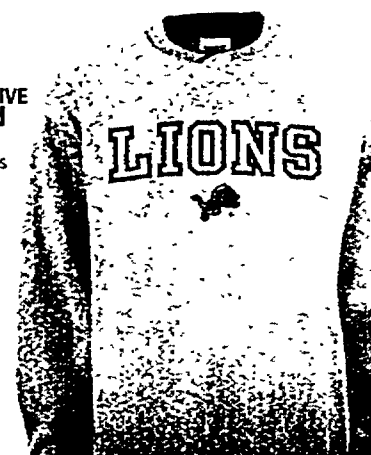
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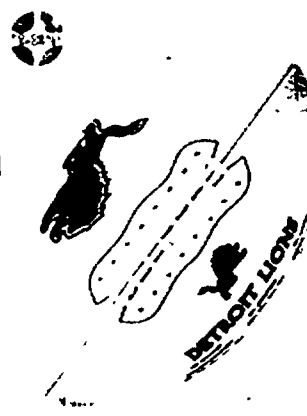


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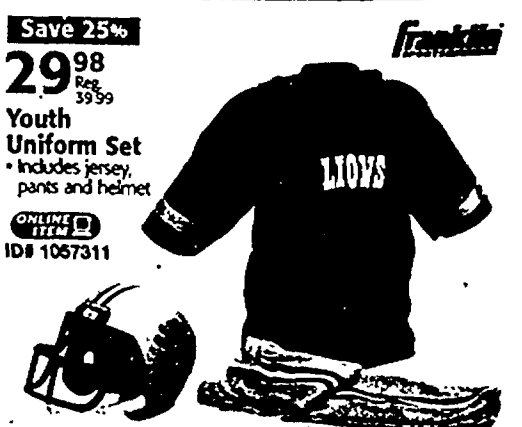
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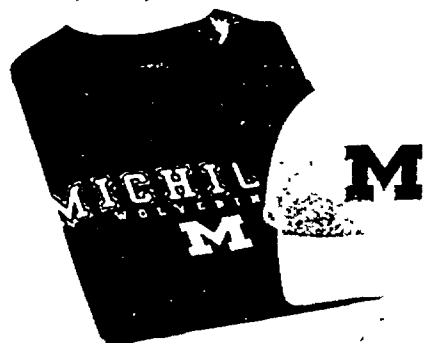
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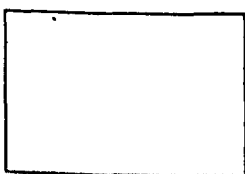
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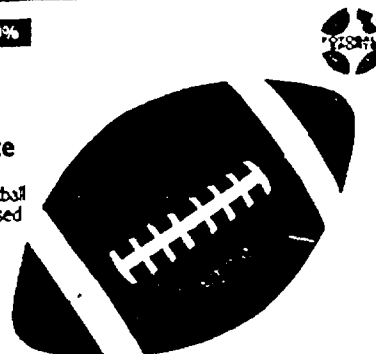
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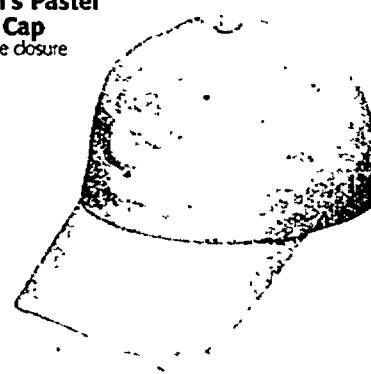
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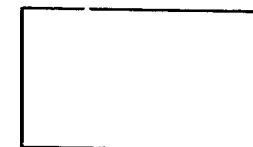
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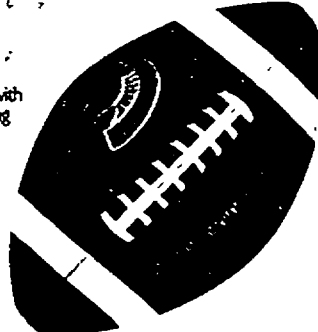
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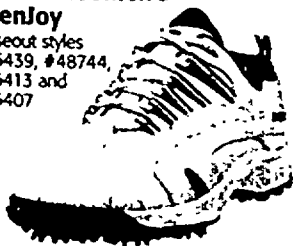


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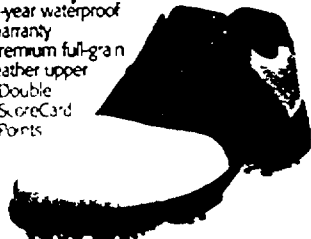
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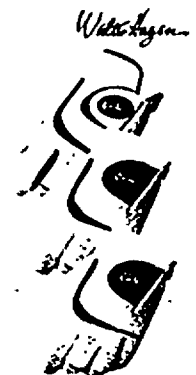


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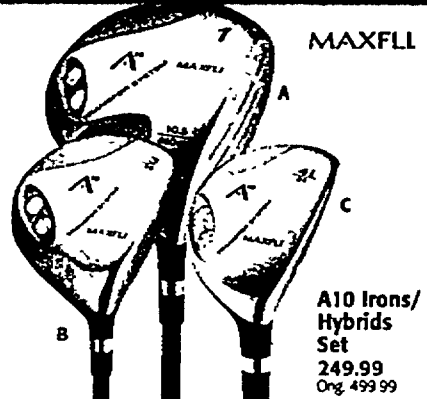
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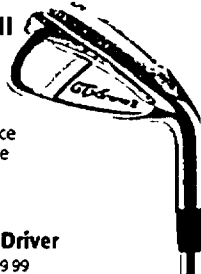
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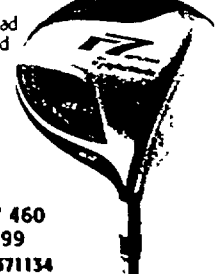
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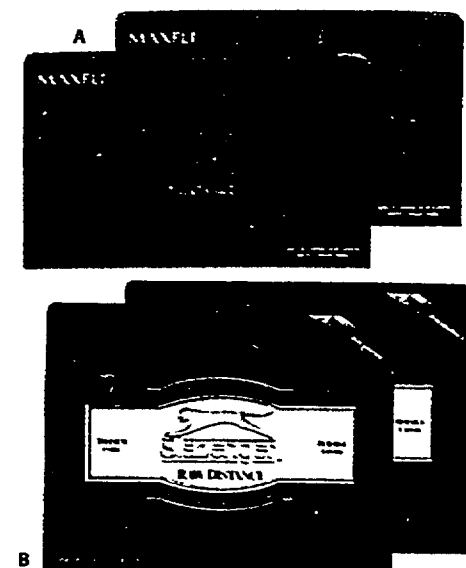
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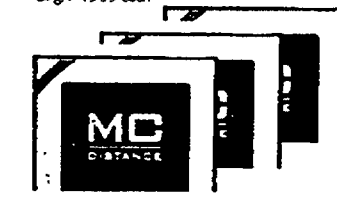


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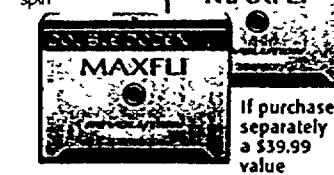


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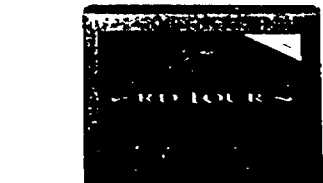
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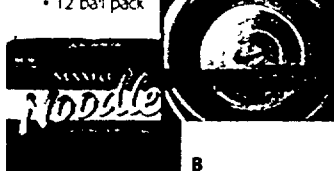
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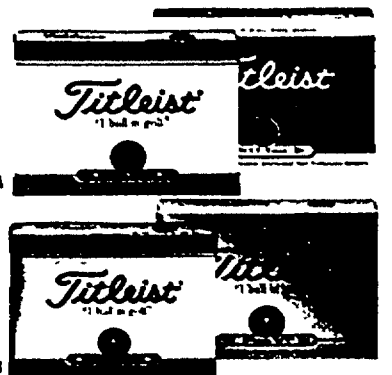
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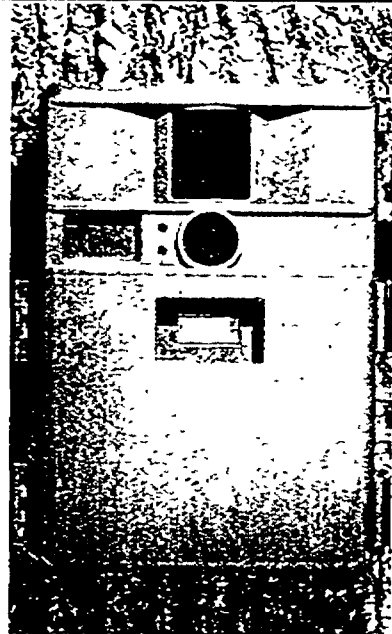


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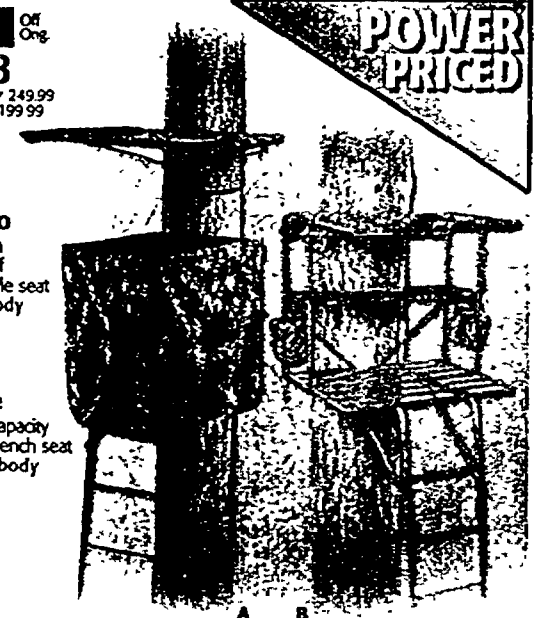
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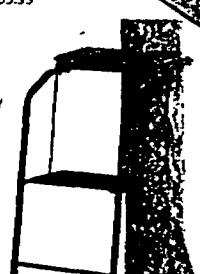


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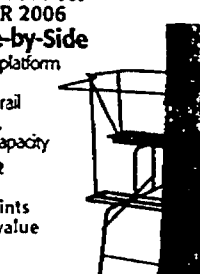


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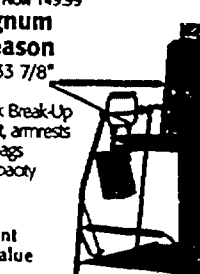


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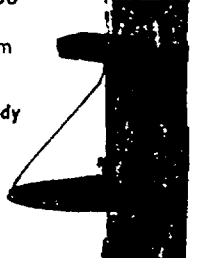
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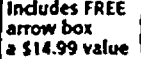
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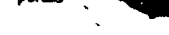


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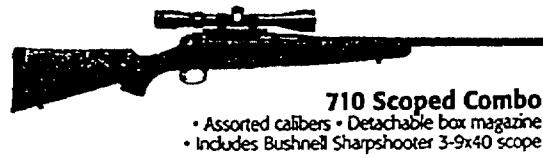


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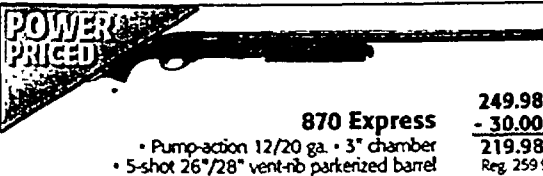


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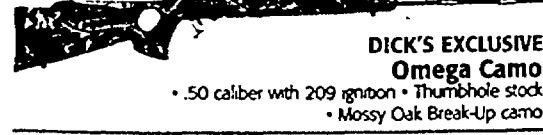
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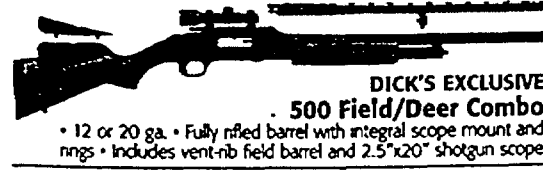


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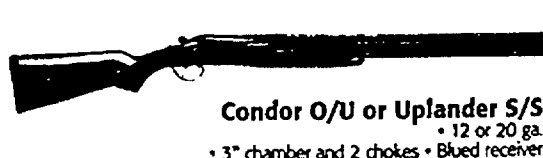


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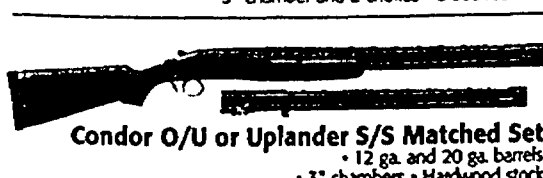


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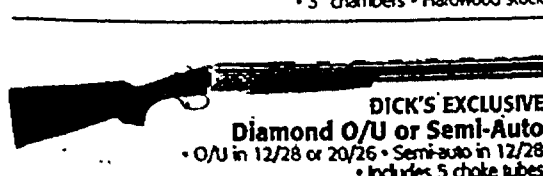


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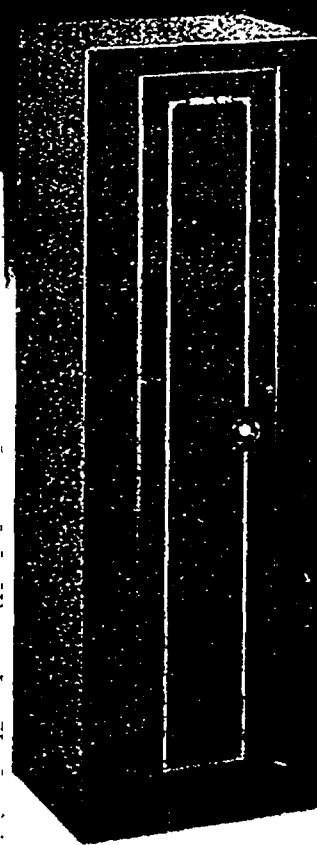


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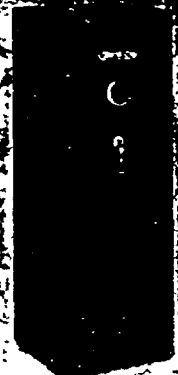
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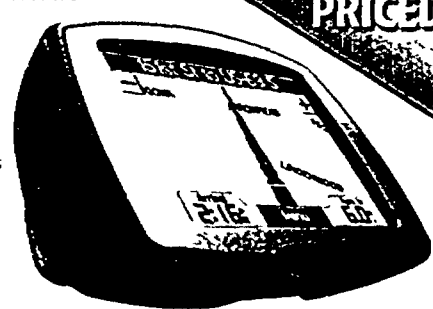
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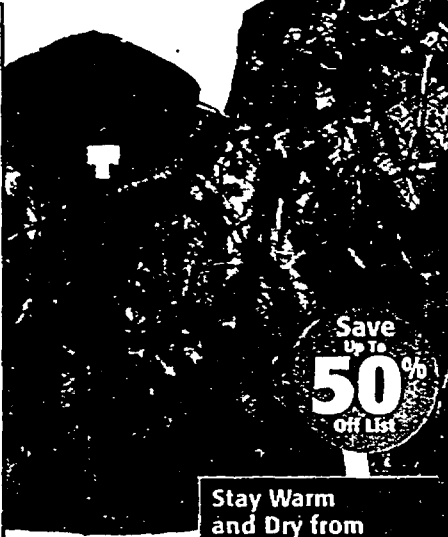
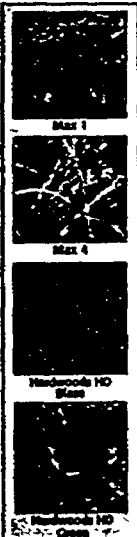
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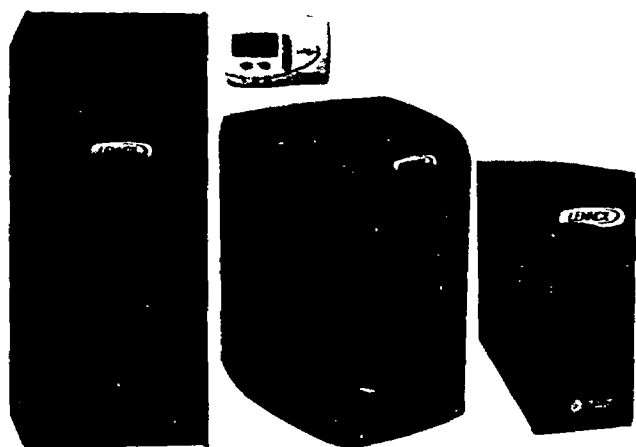
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